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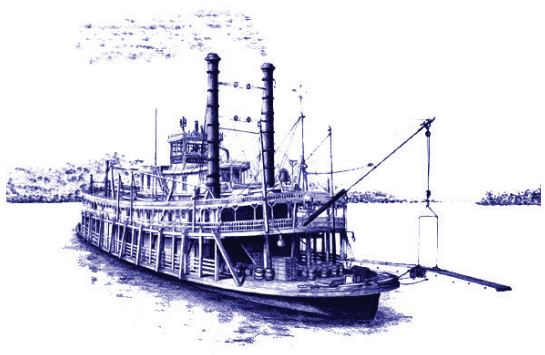

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Winds cause damage in Trimble County

Tornadoes hit in Henry, Clark counties

BY COURIER STAFF

Heavy straight-line winds early Saturday morning caused damage in Trimble County while tornadoes touched down in the Henry County, Kentucky, community of Port Royal and in Clark County, Indiana just south of Underwood.

Trimble County Emergency Management Director Andrew Stark said most of Trimble County's damage was in the southern part of the county in the Morton Ridge area.

However, there was also significant roof damage to the Morgan Community Center in Bedford. Following a rash of vandalism to the Center's interior, Bedford Mayor Joe Robinson said, "if it's not one damn thing, it's another."

Marcus Sandusky, of Sandusky Roofing, was on site to assess the damage and arrange for two huge tarps to cover the roof until insurance damages could be assessed. Groups scheduled for center use in the near future are being notified to reschedule events until the roof can be repaired. In addition to roof damage, there was water damage inside the gymnasium.

Stark reported that Trimble County had 13 structures that were damaged and approximately 100 trees were either knocked down or damaged. He said most of the structure damage was to barns and sheds but two houses received minor damage. "There was no structural damage" to the houses, he said, noting it was to related to shingles and roofs.

Stark also said there were no injuries. He said yard debris has been cleaned up while property owners are working with their insurance companies to repair any damage to buildings.

In Jefferson County, Emergency Management Director Matt True said there were no reports of damage. "We were spared, thank goodness," he said.

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GOP primary to have 3-way race for Commissioner Middle District

Incumbent Little challenged by Berry, Black

BY BOB DEMAREE

Filing for the May 7 primary ended Friday with a three-way race in Jefferson County for Commissioner Middle District as incumbent Bobby Little will face Ray Black Jr. and Rick Berry in the Republican primary.

Black, who joined the race Thursday, currently serves on County Council. Little, first elected Commissioner in 2012, will be seeking his fourth term. Berry, seeking his first term, previously served six years as Madison clerk-treasurer from 2016 to 2022, and two terms on Madison City Council.

Other new filings include Heather Foy, seeking reelection for a third term for Council-at-Large as a Republican.

Republicans have candidates running in all county-wide races. Other Republican candidates include: incumbent Donald J. Mote for Circuit Court Judge, incumbent David Bramer for Commissioner Middle District, incumbent Megan Hoskins for County Treasurer, Joshua Webb for County Coroner, Amy Storm Stephens and Heather White, both for County Recorder, and incumbents Gary Copeland and Pam Crozier, County Council-at-Large.

The only Democrat filing for a county-wide office is Sarah Cooper Adams for County Recorder. Even though Democrats have no candidates in the primary for those county-wide offices, they still have until noon on Wednesday, July 3, to fill those ballot

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Panther Royalty

Jennifer Willhoite

Ross Crawford (left) was King and Madi Hicks was Queen during Carroll County's homecoming held Friday as the Panthers boys basketball team defeated Henry County 68-65. On Saturday, the Panthers lost 62-53 at Augusta.

Lilly Endowment Grant increases statewide region funding

BY BOB DEMAREE

With $500 million in funding available to 15 regions throughout the State of Indiana, there is now an additional $250 million that will be available through a Lilly Endowment Grant — all administered in conjunction with the Regional Economic Acceleration and Development Initiative (READI).

"They will be separate programs but now we can for all intents and purposes visualize there's $750 million that will be spent around the state, rather than $500 million," said Cory Cochran at Friday's meeting of Our Southern Indiana Regional Development Authority (OurSIRDA) held on the Hanover College campus.

The $250 million award to the Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC) is the single largest award given in Lilly Endowment's 86-year history. "That is an exciting, exciting opportunity," said OurSIRDA chair Dana Huber of Clark County.

Even though the Lilly funds are being administered along with the READI, the goals for those funds will be slightly different than what the IEDC wants to achieve with READI 2.0.

READI 2.0 is focusing on seven key performance indicators — population growth, per-capita income growth, increase in employment opportunites, educational attainment, number and affordability of housing units developed, increase in innovation activities and increase in childcare capacity — all areas the state has targeted for improvement.

OurSIRDA's application for READI funding has been developed based on that. "We have implemented strategies and

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Irish-themed open house set for St. Michael on March 10

BY COURIER STAFF

An Irish-themed open house — part of an early celebration of St. Patrick's Day — will be held Sunday, March 10 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at St. Michael the Archangel, 519 East Third Street.

The church building was donated to Historic Madison Inc. in 1993 by the Indianapolis Archdiocese after serving the Madison Catholic community for 154 years. Built between 1838 and 1839, this Gothic Revival-designed structure is the second oldest building built as a Catholic church in Indiana. According to the Indiana State of Historic Preservation Office, it is the oldest Gothic-style building in Indiana.

The open house provides an opportunity to learn a little history of the building and the people who once frequented the congregation, and taste a selection of Irish teas courtesy of the Ohio Valley Celtic Society.

Admission is free with recommended donations for visiting and enjoying the teas. All proceeds from the event will benefit the Ohio Valley Celtic Society and restoration efforts for St. Michael's.

Call Steve Thomas at 812-273-3755 for information about the Ohio Valley Celtic Society and Jessica Spiess at 812-265-2967 for information about St. Michael's.

NEWS OF RECORD

JEFFERSON COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER

LODGINGS

February 8, 2023

David Albert Brown III, 30, Hanover, for Invasion of Privacy, a Class A misdemeanor. No bond.

Robert G. Bushong, 53, Madison, for Fraud-Interfering with a Drug/Alcohol Screening, a Class B misdemeanor. No bond.

Shelby Jean Miller, 18, North Vernon, Indiana, on theft and fraud warrants to hold for Jennings County, Indiana.

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James L. Huff, 43, North Vernon, Indiana, for Theft, a Level 6 felony. No bond.

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Bobby Joseph Morris, 49, Hanover, Driving While Suspended-Prior Suspension in 10 Years, a Class A misdemeanor. No bond.

David W. Pipes II, 43, Bedford, Kentucky, for Invasion of Privacy, a Class A misdemeanor. No bond.

Rachel Smith, 43, no address listed, for Possession of a Syringe, a Level 6 felony; and Operating While Intoxicated, a Class C misdemeanor. Bond $1,000 cash.

February 11, 2023

Zachary Louis Harvey, 33, Lexington, Indiana, for Public Intoxication Alcohol/Drugs, A Class B misdemeanor. No bond.

JEFFERSON COUNTY SUPERIOR & CIRCUIT COURT

SENTENCINGS

Febuary 7, 2024

Charles Richard Etherton, 39, Madison, revocation of parole for 2-1/2 years of previously suspended sentence for possession of methamphetamine with credit for 284 served but consecutive to previous drug conviction.

Michael Wayne Eden, 38, Hanover, to an amended charge of Possession of Methamphetamine, a Level 5 felony. Sentenced to 6 years at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 213 days served and 3 years suspended to supervised probation plus $789 in fees and court costs.

Carolyn Diane Hilton, 39, Hanover, for Driving While Suspended, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to zero days jail plus $239.50 in fees and court costs.

Joshua Allen Morrison, 33, Lexington, Indiana, for Driving While Suspended, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to zero days jail plus $239.50 in fees and court costs.

Bonifacio Perez-Cruz, 23, Madison, to an amended charge of Public Intoxication, a Class B misdemeanor. Sentenced to 6 days jail, served plus $239 in fees and court costs.

February 8, 2024

Carlos Velancio Sears, 55, Madison, to an amended charge of Domestic Battery, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 365 days at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 22 days served and 343 days suspended to supervised probation plus $539 in fees and court costs with No Contact Order terminated.

Samantha Kay Overby, 25, Madison, for violation of parole-Drug Court Program. Sentenced to 540 days at Indiana Department of Correction, fully executed; and consecutive to sentence for prior conviction plus $689 in fees and court costs.

Phillip Wayne Jones, 70, Deputy, Indiana, to an amended charge of Operating While Intoxicated, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 365 days jail with credit for 8 days served and 357 days suspended to supervised probation plus $539.50 in fees and court cost and driver's license suspended for 90 days.

Zachary Joseph Heath Dulaney, 30, Madison, to an amended charge of Public Intoxication, a Class B misdemeanor. Sentenced to 4 days jail, served; plus $189 in fees and court costs.

William Sizemore, 48, Bedford, Kentucky, to an amended charge of Possession of Methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony. Sentenced to 540 days at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 4 days served and 536 days suspended to supervised probation plus $789 in fees and court costs.

Eden Michelle Jacquart, 35, Madison, for Domestic Battery, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 8 days jail, served plus $289 in fees and court costs and No Contact Order terminated.

Charity M. Asbury, 37, Madison, for Possession of Marijuana, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to zero days jail plus $1,289 in fees and court costs.

Jacob Taylor, 24, Madison, to an amended charge of Possession of a Narcotic Drug, a Level 5 felony; and Neglect of a Dependent-5 Counts, all Level 6 felonies. Sentenced to 730 days at Indiana Department of Correction on drug charge consecutive to 365 days at IDOC on neglect charges, concurrent, with credit for 6 days served and 1,089 days suspended to supervised probation plus $889 in fees and court costs with three No Contact Orders terminated and two No Contact Orders to remain in effect during term of probation.

Amber Shyanne Konkle, 26, Madison, to an amended charge of Domestic Battery, a Class A misdemeanor.Sentenced to 6 days jail, served plus $289 in court costs with No Contact Order terminated.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

JEFFERSON COUNTY

February 8, 2024

Pennymac Loan Services LLC to Nathan Murphy, 2099 East Bob O Link Court, Madison ($75,000).

Marilyn Hance to Marilyn Hance, two tracts at 523 and 525 West Street, Madison.

Andrea L. Forrester to Andrea L. Forrester (trustee) and Andrea L. Forrester (living trust), 420 South Indiana Cave Road, Madison.

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William N. Torline and Charles J. Torline (deceased) to William N. Torline, Joseph P. Torline, Brian T. Torline, James G. Torline and Robert F. Torline, 4292 North Paper Mill Road, Madison.

Morgan Stone Langley and Joshua Amos Langley to James G. Elburg and Carol C. Elburg, approximately 3 acres at 1500+ East Telegraph Hill Road, Madison.

Hanover to commemorate 1974 tornado with Forbes presentation

BY COURIER STAFF

The Weather Channel's veteran severe-weather expert Dr. Greg Forbes will headline Hanover College's 50th-anniversary commemoration of the 1974 tornadoes that caused destruction throughout Jefferson County including the college.

The special campus presentation will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 3, at Fitzgibbon Recital Hall, Lynn Center for Fine Arts at Hanover College.

The 1974 storm was part of the famed Super Outbreak, which included nearly 150 confirmed tornadoes in 13 U.S. states and Canada during an 18-hour period. The storm, which stands as the most-violent outbreak in recorded history, covered more than 2,600 miles, killed 330 people, injured more than 6,000 people and left thousands homeless. In Jefferson County, at 3:51 p.m. on April 3, 1974, two F4 tornadoes killed 11 and left more than 300 with injuries.

Forbes' presentation is free and open to the public. General admission tickets are available online at www.tickettailor.com/events/hanovercollege/1135971. Tickets will be scanned at the door upon entry.

Forbes, best known as The Weather Channel's severe weather authority, was featured on the network from 1999-2019. Through two decades, he made behind-the-scenes and on-air forecasts and supported The Weather Channel's timely coverage with discussions of dangerous thunderstorm weather hazards such as tornadoes, damaging winds, hail, floods and lightning.

Forbes became interested in meteorology in middle school and later received a Bachelor of Science degree in the field at Penn State University. He furthered his education at the University of Chicago, where he would earn both master's and doctoral degrees.

While at the University of Chicago in the early 1970s, Forbes studied tornadoes and severe thunderstorms under the guidance of Ted Fujita, the world-famous meteorologist and tornado scientist who developed the Fujita Scale that differentiates tornado intensity. Fujita also discovered narrow, intense thunderstorm downdrafts known as "microbursts."

Ultimately, Forbes' thesis examined the 1974 Super Outbreak, using aerial and ground investigations to document tornado paths. The discoveries advanced the concepts of tornado "families" and multiple-vortex tornadoes. The research also confirmed the hook echo, as seen on weather radars, as a significant clue for the development of tornadoes.

Forbes' goal was to be a forecaster and he had no intention of being a television meteorologist. After earning his advanced degrees, he served as field manager for Project NIMROD, the first measurement program to study damaging thunderstorm winds from downbursts and microbursts.

In 1978, Forbes returned to Penn State as a member of the Department of Meteorology faculty. As an assistant and associate professor, he taught courses in weather analysis, forecasting and natural disasters, among other topics. In 1999, he joined The Weather Channel as a forecaster, researcher and on-air personality.

He is a Fellow of the American Meteorological Society and is a past member of the Board on Atmospheric Sciences and Climate of the National Research Council. He served as member of the development team of meteorologists and wind engineers who developed the Enhanced Fujita Scale, which replaced the original Fujita Scale in 2007.

Though now retired, Forbes conducts limited weather-related research and makes occasional storm-related appearances on The Weather Channel.

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BIRTHDAYS

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Tina Frye

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Jeanine Little

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Ray Black Jr.
Benny Hassfurder

LOTTERY

INDIANA

Hoosier Lotto: 10-19-26-29-39-46 (2/10). Next Estimated Jackpot: $4.6 million. Next Drawing (2/14).

Cash Five: 2-10-27-41-45 (2/11)

Cash 4 Life: 1-21-38-39-59 CB: 4 (2/11)

KENTUCKY

Cash Ball: 25-29-32-35 CB 21 (2/11)

Kentucky 5 Extra: 4-24-25-28-32 (2/11)

Lucky For Life: 1-2-11-24-36 LB: 16 (2/11)

MEGAMILLIONS: 17-22-29-46-69 MB: 1, MP 3 (2/9). Next Jackpot: $425 million. Next Drawing (2/13)

POWERBALL: 27-28-34-37-44 PB: 8, PP 2 (2/10). Next Estimated Jackpot: $270 million. Next Drawing (2/12)

POWERBALL DOUBLE PLAY: 12-15-32-50-64 PB: 15 (2/10). Next Estimated Jackpot: Up to $10 million. Next Drawing (2/12)

CASA of Jefferson County Charity Auction set for April 25

BY COURIER STAFF

CASA of Jefferson County will host its annual When Your Heart is Broken, Make Art with the Pieces Charity Auction on Thursday, April 25, in which attendees have the chance to bid on a wide variety of artwork created and donated by local artists.

CASA is an independent nonprofit organization that provides advocacy for children in abuse and neglect cases in Jefferson County.

"This event is a showcase, not only of the creative talents and generosity of local artists, but also of the care and compassion our local businesses and individual citizens demonstrate when they contribute sponsorships, in-kind gifts, volunteer hours and attendance for the evening," said Brenda Holbrook, program coordinator for CASA of Jefferson County. "We are extremely proud of the hard work and dedication shown by our CASA volunteers and staff members in advocating for the children we serve in abuse and neglect cases. This event is a beautiful reminder that this is a county-wide mission, and Jefferson County shows up for their most vulnerable citizens."

Madison Junior High School students received guidance from local artist Jane Vonderheide in working with students in Eric Phagan's art classes to create several 'Janie's Heart' original works that will be auctioned off at CASA's event. "Anytime that we can build relationships in our community through art and student involvement, it is a win," said Phagan. "Our partnership with CASA and organizations like it, are helping children in our community in need, whether they are a student of Madison Schools or not, and that is exactly why I do what I do."

Doors open at 6 p.m. for guests to arrive and enjoy live entertainment, a catered buffet of heavy appetizers and a cash bar. The program will begin at 7 p.m. with an address by Circuit Court Judge, D.J. Mote, a celebration of Champion for Children honorees, live auction and more music to finish the evening.

Tickets are $40 and tables are $320 (seating 8) with larger sponsorship donation packages available. Tickets and sponsorships can be purchased at www.childadvocatesjc.net. Proceeds from the auction will be used to recruit, train, and support CASA volunteers.

WEATHER

Sunrise: 7:33 a.m.
Sunset: 6:17 p.m.
Temperature: High 51, Low 32, Mean 41.5, Excess 2.2
Precipitation since last published: .58
Precipitation, February 2024: .59
Precipitation, 2024: 6.98
Barometer: 29.92, Falling
River Level at Clifty Creek: 423.88, Steady
Forecast: Wednesday: Mostly sunny High 53/Low 37; Thursday: Cloudy High 52/Low 29; Friday: Mostly cloudy High 44/Low 27.

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OBITUARIES

Sherry Kay Criswell Craddock

Sherry Kay Criswell Craddock, age 75, of Madison, Indiana entered this life on June 28, 1948 in Vevay, Indiana.

She was the loving daughter of the late Charles Clarence and Beulah Brown Burnham Criswell. She was raised in Switzerland county and was a 1966 graduate of Switzerland County High School. She was united in marriage to Kenneth Ray Craddock on December 15, 1967 at the North United Methodist Church in Madison and moved to Madison to start their life together. This happy union of 56 years was blessed with a daughter, Melissa, and a son, Michael.

She worked for King's Daughters' Hospital for 40 years, twenty-five of those years as a medical assistant for Dr. Sue Stack. She was a member of North Madison Baptist Church and enjoyed cooking and was an avid reader.

She loved spending time with her family and especially her grandchildren. She dearly loved her dogs, Bella and Buffie. Sherry died on Saturday, February 10, 2024, at 4:35 p.m. at her home in Madison, Indiana.

Sherry will be missed by her loving husband of 56 years, Kenneth Ray Craddock of Madison, IN; her loving daughter, Melissa Perry and her companion, J.D. Webster of Madison, IN; her loving son, Michael Craddock and his wife Kelly of Madison, IN; her grandchildren, Landon, Brayden, Derek and his wife, Faith, and Kelsey; her sister in laws, Erma Jean Craddock of Madison, IN, Ruth Pettit of Hanover, IN, Marcia Adler and her husband, Danny of Crystal River, FL, Terry Wildman of Madison, IN, Bonnie Hadley and her companion, David of Madison, IN, Vickie Ginn and her husband, Billy of Bedford, KY, Delores Bird and Her husband, Rick of Hanover, IN; several nieces, nephews and other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her father, Charlie Clarence Criswell; her mother, Beulah Brown Burnham Criswell; her brothers, Charles Wayne Criswell, and Terry Douglas Criswell; her sister, Betty Jo Criswell Ayres; her half brother, James Samuel Criswell; her brothers in law, Jeff Wildman, and Robert Pettit, Jr.

Funeral services will be conducted on Friday, February 16, 2024, at 11 a.m., by Pastor Dennis Bickers at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, Indiana. Interment will follow in the Fairmount Cemetery in Madison, Indiana.

Friends may visit on Thursday from 4 — 7 p.m. and Friday from 10 a.m. until the time of service at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, Indiana.

Memorial contributions may be made to North Madison Baptist Church. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

Rebecca Lee 'Becky' Stallings Miller Slygh

Rebecca Lee "Becky" Stallings Miller Slygh, age 75, of Lexington, Indiana entered this life on October 25, 1948 in Owensboro,Kentucky. She was the loving daughter of the late James Leo and Edna Severs Stallings. Becky died on Saturday, February 10, 2024, at 2:02 p.m. at the Baptist Health-Floyd in New Albany, Indiana.

Becky will be missed by her loving husband of 16 years, Earl G. Slygh of Lexington, IN; her loving son, Brad Miller and his wife, Yvette of Purvis, MS; her lvoing grandchildren, Drew Miller and his wife, Brittany and Alexis Hurst; her step daughter, Kimberly Voyles & her husband: Alan of Salem, IN; her step sons, Daniel Slygh & his wife: Lori of Madison, IN, Chris Slygh & his wife: Kimberly of Ft. Wayne, IN; her step grandchildren, Matthew Stewart, Amanda Stewart, Conner Slygh, Claire Slygh, Lauren Slygh, Jack Slygh, Emily Slygh, Kenneth Voyles, and Heather Voyles; her sisters, Judy Miles and her husband, Fred of Lovell, KY, Karen Stiff and her husband, Rick of Whitesville, KY; her brother, Eddie Stallings and his wife, Perry of Owensboro, KY; several nieces, nephews and other relatives. She was preceded in death by her father, James Leo Stallings; her mother, Edna Severs Stallings, and her brothers, James Earl Stallings, and Hugh Stallings.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, February 14, 2024, at 5 p.m. by Pastor J.D. Traylor at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, Indiana. Interment will follow later in the Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery,1415 North Gate Road in Madison, Indiana.

Friends may visit Wednesday from 3 — 5 p.m. at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, Indiana.

Memorial contributions may be made to the House of Hope or the Jefferson County Animal Shelter. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances and memorials can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

Mary Jo Jones Ball

Mary Jo Jones Ball, age 90, of Hanover, Indiana entered this life on June 3, 1933 in Jefferson County, Indiana. She was the loving daughter of the late John Lester and Mary Josephine Stewart Jones. Mary Jo died on Thursday, February 8, 2024, at 3:23 p.m. at the Thornton Terrace Health Campus in Hanover, Indiana.

Mary Jo will be missed by her loving husband of 69 years, James C. Ball of Hanover, IN; her sons, James R. Ball and his wife, Carrie of Indianapolis, IN, Richard L. Ball of Madison, IN, Donald K. Ball of Hanover, IN; her grandchildren, Ashley, Christopher, Jacqueline, Caleb, Nathaniel, Isaac, Mary, Simeon, Rebecca, Austin, Cameron, Susannah, Andrew; her great grandchildren, Elizabeth Tayor and Jackson Taylor and Asher Ball; several nieces, nephews and other relatives. She was preceded in death by her father, John Lester Jones; her mother, Mary Josephine Stewart Jones; her brother, Donald L. Jones; her sister, Patricia Louise "Pat" Jones Glore.

Funeral services will be conducted on Saturday, February 17, 2024, at 11 a.m., by Pastor Mike Hamby at the Calvary Baptist Church, 2632 Michigan Road in Madison, Indiana. Interment will follow in the Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery,1415 North Gate Road in Madison, Indiana.

Friends may visit Friday,from 4 — 7 p.m. at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, Indiana and Saturday from 10 a.m. until time of the service at the Calvary Baptist Church, 2632 Michigan Road in Madison, Indiana.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Gideon's Memorial Bible Plan. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre or at the church. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

DEATH NOTICES

Dorothy Wolfschlag Craft, 83, of Madison, IN, died Sunday, Feb. 11, 2024, at Thornton Terrace Health Campus in Hanover, IN. Funeral arrangements will be announced by the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres in Madison, www.morgan-nay.com.

{span}Thomas Matthew "Tom" Kelly Jr., 73, of Madison, IN, died on Sunday, Feb. 11, 2024 at the Thornton Terrace Health Campus in Hanover, IN. Arrangements will be announced by the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres in Madison, IN, www.morgan-nay.com.

Tammy L. McIntosh, 63, of Austin, IN, died Thursday, Feb. 8, 2024, at Wedgwood Healthcare Center in Clarksville, IN. She had worked and worshipped in Madison, IN. Cremation was chosen. Funeral services were Monday, Feb. 12, at Adams Family Funeral Homes & Crematory in Scottsburg, IN., www.adamsfuneralhomeonline.com.

Glenn A. Richards, 79, of Rising Sun, IN, died Friday, Feb. 2, 2024, at Boonespring Skilled Nursing Facility in Union, KY. Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 21, at Haskell & Morrison Funeral Home in Vevay IN, with interment and full military rites to follow in the Cedar Hedge Cemetery in Rising Sun, wwwhaskellandmorrison.com.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MOVIE
The Ohio Theatre
105 East Main Street, Madison
Thursday, Feb. 15 — 6 p.m.

"Loving" is the final of three films to be screened in February as part of Black History Month. "Loving," a 2016 biographical drama, tells the story of Richard and Mildred Loving, plaintiffs in the 1967 U.S. Supreme Court decision Loving v. Virginia, which invalidated state laws prohibiting interracial marriage. Admission is free.

BOOK DISCUSSION
Jefferson County Public Library
420 West Main St., Madison
Thursday, Feb. 22 — 5:30 p.m.

Book discussion on the book "All That She Carried" written by Tiya Miles, a renowed historian who traces the life of single object handed down through three generations of Black women with a search to uncover history.

LECTURE
Jefferson County Public Library
Thursday, Feb. 22 — 5:30 p.m.

"Know Your History: The Life of George DeBaptiste." DeBaptiste served as agent for the underground railroad, living in both Madison and Detroit.

EVENTS
Young Musicians' Concert
Madison Presbyterian Church
202 Broadway St., Madison
Sunday, Feb. 25, 3 p.m.

Musicians from the county will present solos and ensembles that were prepared for ISSMA and State Contests.

Environmental Discussion with Doug Tallamy
Hanover College Fitzgibbon Recital Hall
Friday, Feb. 16 — 7 p.m.

Acclaimed ecologist, educator and author Doug Tallamy will discuss the interaction between life-sustaining native plants, insects, birds and other wildlife in our local environments during a special presentation in Fitzgibbon Recital Hall at the Lynn Center for Fine Arts. Tallamy has taught insect-related courses for 42 years as a faculty member in Delaware's Department of Entomology and Wildlife Ecology. His research strives to better understand the many ways insects interact with plants and how such interactions determine the diversity of animal communities. The lecture is open to the public and free of charge.

Homeschool Days
Lanier Mansion
601 West First St., Madison
Tuesday, Feb. 20

Lanier Mansion will host an event, Homeschool Days. Take a tour of the Lanier Mansion, learn how patterns were used in architecture and explore colorful popular patterns. The event, which is for ages 7-13, will be Tuesday, Feb. 20, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.. Cost is $10 per child with a 25% discount for Indiana State Museum and Historic Sites members.

BLOOD DRIVE
Red Cross Blood Drive
Thursday, Feb. 15 — 11 a.m.-5 p.m.
Jefferson County Public Library
420 W. Main St., Madison

To save time, donors may use RapidPass on February 15 to complete pre-reading and donation questions online before arriving at the Library at redcrossblood.org/RapidPass and either print pass or save on a smartphone. Appointment times may be scheduled before arriving at the Library by calling 800/733-2767, going to redcrossblood.org, or downloading the Blood Donor App.

FOOD DISTRIBUTIONS
Salvation Army Food Bank
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331 East Main St., Madison

A food giveaway at the red door on east side of building. Bring your own bags. For more information, call 812-265-2157.

House of Hope Food Pantry
100 East Second St., Madison
Tuesdays — 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Fridays — 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

A food giveaway and distribution at the Jefferson County House of Hope Food Pantry in downtown Madison. Please arrive at the pantry 15 minutes prior to closing to be served.

CLOTHING DISTRIBUTIONS
Jesus Clothes Closet
Trinity Methodist Church, Madison
Mondays — 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Jesus Clothes Closet at Trinity Methodist Church, 412 W. Main St., will distribute free clothing for those in need each Monday from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. For info call 812-866-4843.

SENIOR EVENTS
Madison Senior Citizens Center
208 West Main Street
Senior Meals

Lifetime Resources will be providing congregate meals at the Madison Senior Center on Tuesday and Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Meals are free for anyone over age 60 with a suggestion donation of $6. Meals are $6 for anyone under age 60.

Game Days

The Madison Senior Citizens Center hosts weekly card days and Bingo at the Senior Citizens Center in downtown Madison. The schedule includes Euchre on Mondays and Thursdays from noon until 10 games are completed and Bingo on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The games are free and open to senior citizens.

Hanover Senior Citizens Center
Exercising

The Hanover Senior Citizens Program is offering free exercising at the Hanover Park Community Center on Mondays and Thursdays at 10 a.m.

Lunch

The Hanover Senior Citizens Program is serving lunch at noon on Fridays at the Hanover Park Community Center. Cost is $5 and RSVP is required by calling 812-498-2894.

Baby girl OK after being placed in 'safe haven' box at Missouri fire station

BY JIM SALTER
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ST. LOUIS — A baby girl is doing well and will be put up for adoption after being surrendered at a "Safe Haven Baby Box" at a Missouri fire house, the fire chief said Monday.

The infant was dropped off Thursday at a Mehlville Fire District station in St. Louis County. The district installed the box in August. It was the first of its kind since passage of a Missouri law in 2021 allowing babies to be surrendered in a safe haven box — a secured incubator — if a parent is unable to care for the child.

Chief Brian Hendricks said the child was several hours old. After examination at the hospital, she was placed in state custody. It's unclear when she'll be adopted.

Hendricks, at a news conference, acknowledged the difficult decision the mother faced in dropping off the newborn.

"To that mother, I would like to say that we loved that baby and cared for that baby the minute we laid eyes on her and the minute we opened up that door," Hendricks said.

He described the child's condition as "perfect."

"She is just as healthy as could be."

State Rep. Jim Murphy, a Republican from St. Louis County who sponsored the 2021 bill, said he was moved to tears as he phoned Missouri House Speaker Dean Plocher and told him about the successful use of the box.

"I told him, 'If we do nothing else, today we did something important. We saved a life,' " Murphy said.

Missouri law allows a Missouri parent to surrender a newborn up to 45 days old without prosecution, as long as it is done safely. The baby box law was meant to provide a convenient way to do it.

The box includes a nursery bed with heating and air conditioning. It is accessible through a small door on the exterior of a fire station or hospital. An alarm informs 911 that a baby has been placed in the box. The exterior door locks from the outside; personnel on the inside open an interior door to retrieve the infant.

Monica Kelsey, a former military member and firefighter whose birth mother abandoned her two hours after birth in 1973, launched Safe Haven Baby Boxes in Indiana in 2016. Boxes have opened in 15 states; about half of the 202 boxes are in Indiana.

The box at the Mehlville station is the only one in Missouri, but Hendricks said a second Mehlville station will add one by 2025. He said other Missouri districts are looking to add them as well.

Kelsey said 42 infants have been safely placed in boxes, and 147 others have been handed off to personnel at sites with boxes, since her organization began. She said that whenever it happens, her emotions are "a double-edged sword."

"On the one hand a child is saved," Kelsey said. "But on the other, you have a parent who is having the worst day of her life."

Kelsey hopes to track down the Missouri mother — and thank her.

"She could have dumped her child in the trash or dumpster. But she didn't. She chose something better. Basically she said, 'I want what's best for my child an it's not me.' And that's heroic," Kelsey said.

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BEETLE BAILEY

BLONDIE

THIS BOOK SAYS THAT WIVES THINK IT'S ROMANTIC WHEN THEIR HUSBANDS READ TO THEM BEFORE BED
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I TRIED THAT ONCE, AND YOU DIDN'T THINK IT WAS ROMANTIC AT ALL
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READING STOCK MARKET TRENDS ISN'T EXACTLY ROMANTIC, JULIUS
WHO SAYS IT'S NOT ROMANTIC?!
MARSHALL

FAMILY CIRCUS

THE FAMILY CIRCUS
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BIL and JEFF KEANE
"Did God invent HEARTS for Valentine's Day or was it Cupid?"

DENNIS THE MENACE

HI & LOIS

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CAN YOU GO TELL THE GARBAGEMEN TO KEEP IT DOWN OUT THERE?
THEY'RE STILL 2 BLOCKS AWAY.
SLAM BANG CRUMPLE CRUNCH
REAVES
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BABY BLUES

MOM AND DAD ARE CLEANING THE GARAGE.
WHY?
IT'S A GROWN-UP THING.
THEY SPEND DAYS MOVING STUFF AROUND, AND WHEN THEY'RE FINISHED, IT LOOKS EXACTLY THE SAME.
REMIND ME TO NEVER BE A GROWN-UP.
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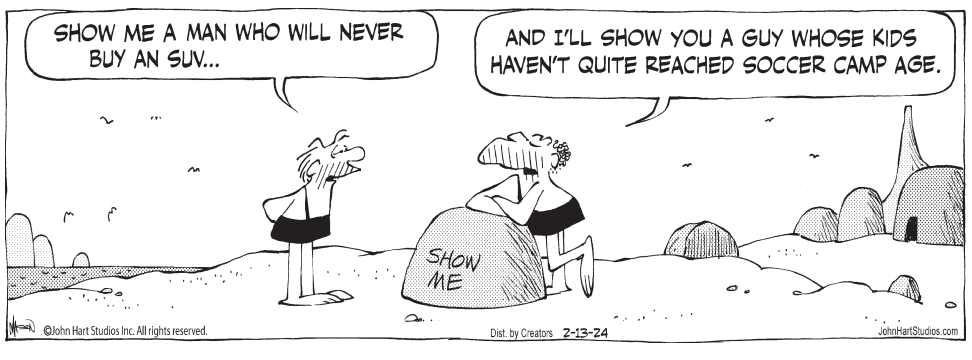
SHOW ME A MAN WHO WILL NEVER BUY AN SUV...
AND I'LL SHOW YOU A GUY WHOSE KIDS HAVEN'T QUITE REACHED SOCCER CAMP AGE.
SHOW ME
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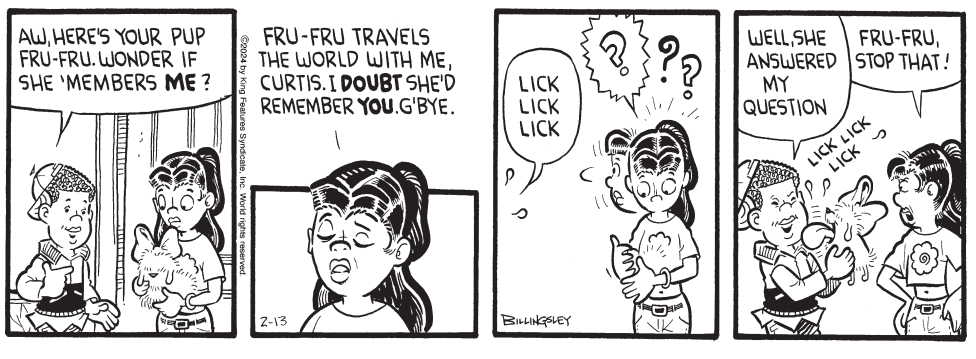
AW, HERE'S YOUR PUP FRU-FRU. WONDER IF SHE 'MEMBERS ME?
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FRU-FRU TRAVELS THE WORLD WITH ME, CURTIS. I DOUBT SHE'D REMEMBER YOU. G'BYE.
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LICK LICK LICK
BILLINGSLEY
WELL, SHE ANSWERED MY QUESTION
FRU-FRU, STOP THAT!
LICK LICK LICK

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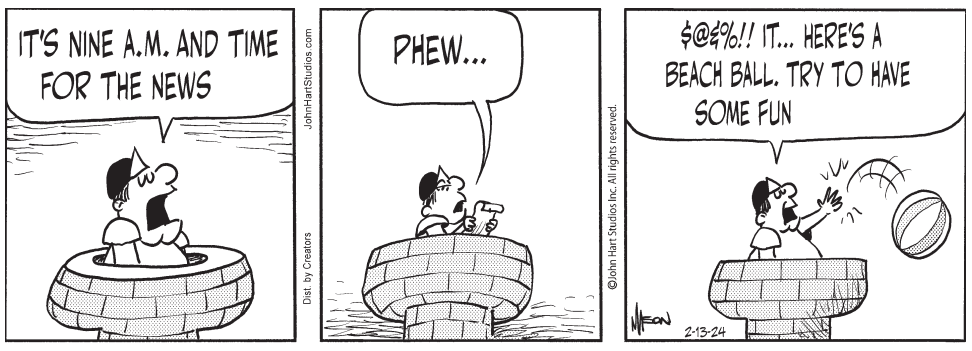
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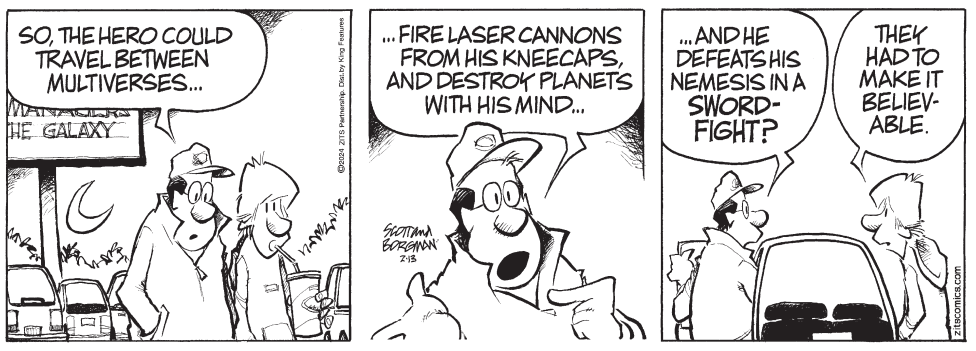
SO, THE HERO COULD TRAVEL BETWEEN MULTIVERSES...
MANAGERS THE GALAXY
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... FIRE LASER CANNONS FROM HIS KNEECAPS, AND DESTROY PLANETS WITH HIS MIND...
SCOTTIE GORDMAN 2-13
...AND HE DEFEATS HIS NEMESIS IN A SWORD-FIGHT?
THEY HAD TO MAKE IT BELIEV-ABLE.
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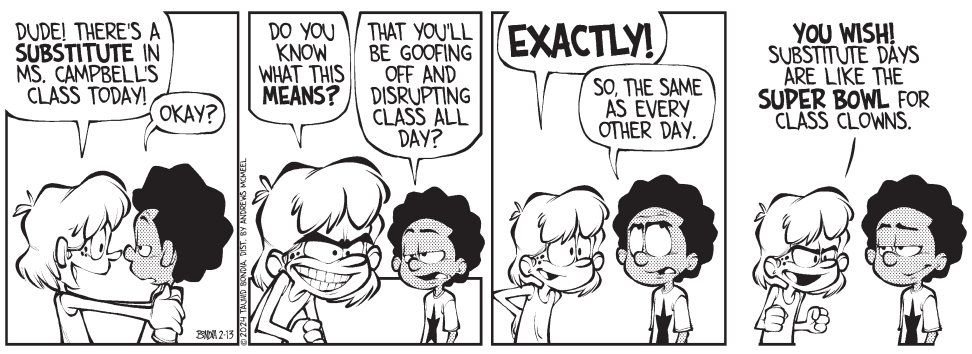
DUDE! THERE'S A SUBSTITUTE IN MS. CAMPBELL'S CLASS TODAY!
OKAY?
DO YOU KNOW WHAT THIS MEANS?
THAT YOU'LL BE GOOFING OFF AND DISRUPTING CLASS ALL DAY?
EXACTLY!
SO, THE SAME AS EVERY OTHER DAY.
YOU WISH! SUBSTITUTE DAYS ARE LIKE THE SUPER BOWL FOR CLASS CLOWNS.
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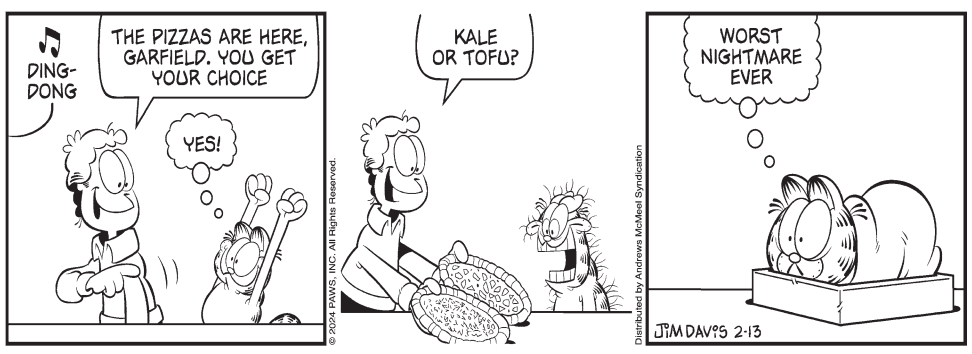
GARFIELD


DING-DONG
THE PIZZAS ARE HERE, GARFIELD. YOU GET YOUR CHOICE
YES!
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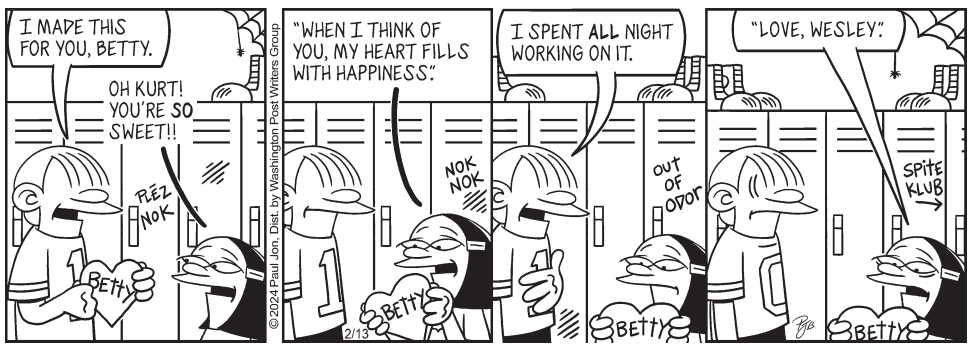
I MADE THIS FOR YOU, BETTY.
OH KURT! YOU'RE SO SWEET!!
PLEZ NOK
BETTY
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"WHEN I THINK OF YOU, MY HEART FILLS WITH HAPPINESS."
NOK NOK
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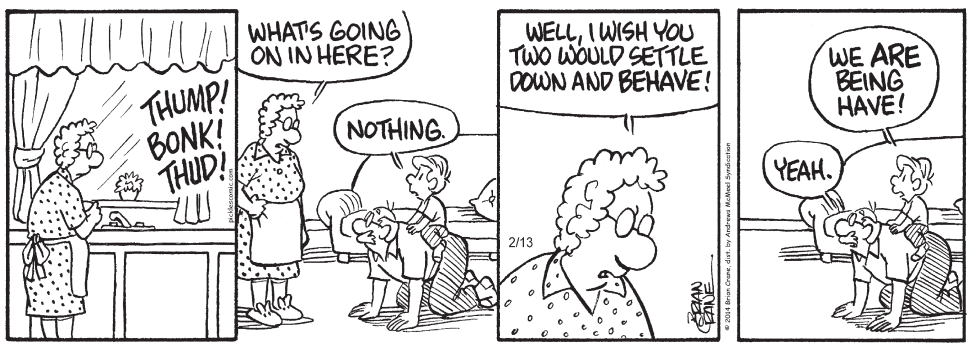
I SPENT ALL NIGHT WORKING ON IT.
OUT OF ODOR
"LOVE, WESLEY."
SPITE KLUB

PICKLES


THUMP! BONK! THUD!
WHAT'S GOING ON IN HERE?
NOTHING.
WELL, I WISH YOU TWO WOULD SETTLE DOWN AND BEHAVE!
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WE ARE BEING HAVE!
YEAH.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 13, 1935, a jury in Flemington, New Jersey, found Bruno Richard Hauptmann guilty of first-degree murder in the kidnap-slaying of Charles A. Lindbergh Jr., the 20-month-old son of Charles and Anne Lindbergh. (Hauptmann was later executed.)

On this date:

In 1633, Italian astronomer Galileo Galilei arrived in Rome for trial before the Inquisition, accused of defending Copernican theory that the Earth revolved around the sun instead of the other way around. (Galileo was found vehemently suspect of heresy and ended up being sentenced to a form of house arrest.)

In 1933, the Warsaw Convention, governing airlines' liability for international carriage of persons, luggage and goods, went into effect.

In 1939, Justice Louis D. Brandeis retired from the U.S. Supreme Court. (He was succeeded by William O. Douglas.)

In 1965, during the Vietnam War, President Lyndon B. Johnson authorized Operation Rolling Thunder, an extended bombing campaign against the North Vietnamese.

In 1972, the film "Cabaret," directed by Bob Fosse, based on John Kander and Fred Ebb's musical of the same name, starring Liza Minnelli and Michael York, was released.

In 1980, the 13th Winter Olympics opened in Lake Placid, New York.

In 1991, during Operation Desert Storm, allied warplanes destroyed an underground shelter in Baghdad that had been identified as a military command center; Iraqi officials said 500 civilians were killed.

In 1996, the rock musical "Rent," by Jonathan Larson, opened off-Broadway less than three weeks after Larson's death.

In 2000, Charles Schulz's final "Peanuts" strip ran in Sunday newspapers, the day after the cartoonist died in his sleep at his California home at age 77.

In 2002, John Walker Lindh pleaded not guilty in federal court in Alexandria, Virginia, to conspiring to kill Americans and supporting the Taliban and terrorist organizations. (Lindh later pleaded guilty to lesser offenses and was sentenced to 20 years in prison.)

In 2011, Egypt's military leaders dissolved parliament, suspended the constitution and promised elections in moves cautiously welcomed by protesters who had helped topple President Hosni Mubarak.

In 2013, beginning a long farewell to his flock, a weary Pope Benedict XVI celebrated his final public Mass as pontiff, presiding over Ash Wednesday services inside St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican.

In 2016, Justice Antonin Scalia, the influential conservative and most provocative member of the U.S. Supreme Court, was found dead at a private residence in the Big Bend area of West Texas; he was 79.

In 2017, President Donald Trump's embattled national security adviser, Michael Flynn, resigned following reports he had misled Vice President Mike Pence and other officials about his contacts with Russia.

In 2018, President Donald Trump's personal attorney, Michael Cohen, said he had paid $130,000 out of his own pocket to a porn actress who claimed to have had a sexual relationship with Trump.

In 2021, former President Donald Trump was acquitted by the Senate at his second impeachment trial, the first to involve a former president, in which he was accused of inciting the attack on the U.S. Capitol on Jan. 6; seven Republicans joined all 50 Democrats in voting to convict, but it was far from the two-thirds threshold required.

In 2022, playing in their home stadium, the Los Angeles Rams beat the Cincinnati Bengals 23-20 in the Super Bowl.

In 2023, David Jude Jolicoeur aka Trugoy the Dove, one of the founding members of the hip-hop trio De La Soul, died at age 54.

Today's birthdays: Actor Kim Novak is 91. Actor Bo Svenson is 83. Actor Stockard Channing is 80. Sen. Richard Blumenthal, D-Conn., is 78. Singer Peter Gabriel is 74. Actor David Naughton is 73. Rock musician Peter Hook is 68. Actor Matt Salinger is 64. Singer Henry Rollins is 63. Actor Neal McDonough is 58. Singer Freedom Williams is 58. Actor Kelly Hu is 56. Rock singer Matt Berninger (The National) is 53. Country musician Scott Thomas (Parmalee) is 51. Singer Robbie Williams is 50. Singer-songwriter Feist is 48. R&B performer Natalie Stewart is 45. Actor Mena Suvari is 45. Actor Katie Volding is 35. Michael Joseph Jackson Jr. (also known as Prince Michael Jackson I) is 27.

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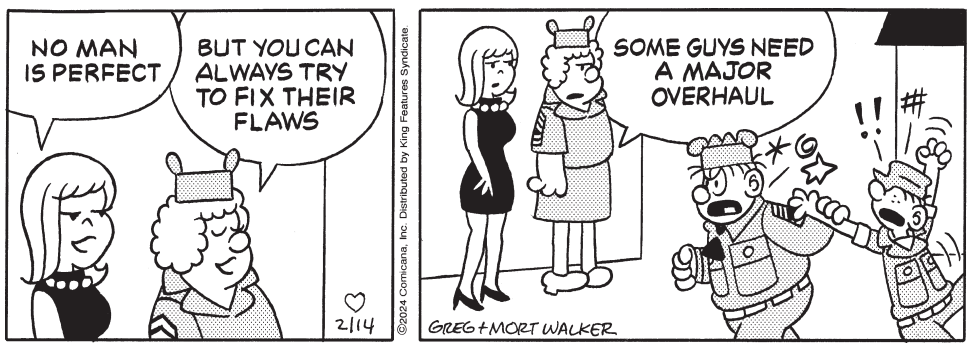
NO MAN IS PERFECT
BUT YOU CAN ALWAYS TRY TO FIX THEIR FLAWS
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SOME GUYS NEED A MAJOR OVERHAUL
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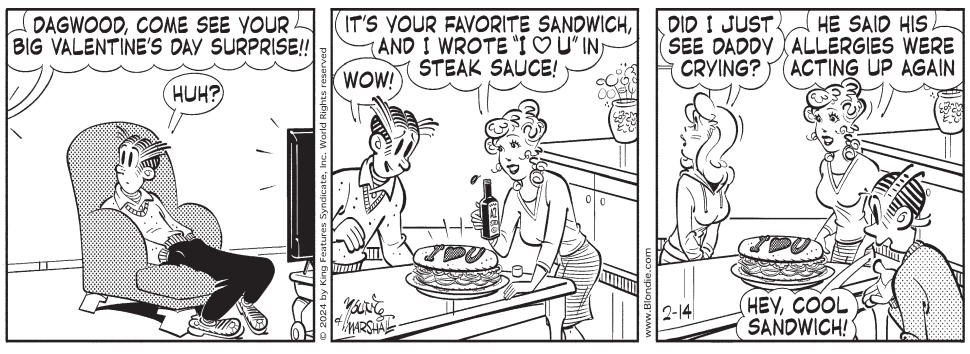
DAGWOOD, COME SEE YOUR BIG VALENTINE'S DAY SURPRISE!!
HUH?
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IT'S YOUR FAVORITE SANDWICH, AND I WROTE "I ♡ U" IN STEAK SAUCE!
WOW!
DID I JUST SEE DADDY CRYING?
HE SAID HIS ALLERGIES WERE ACTING UP AGAIN
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HEY, COOL SANDWICH!
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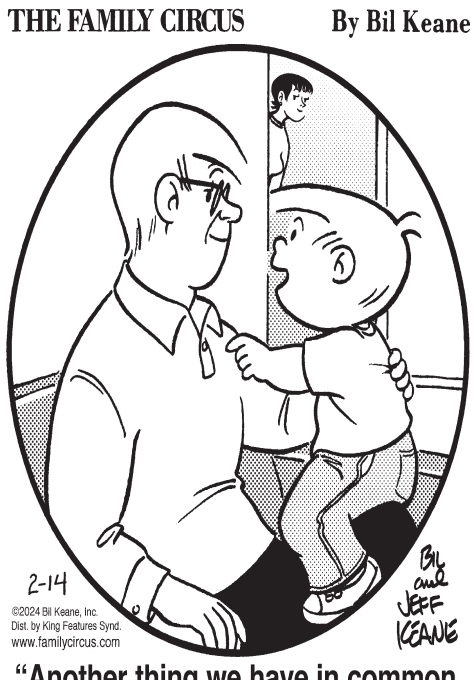
FAMILY CIRCUS

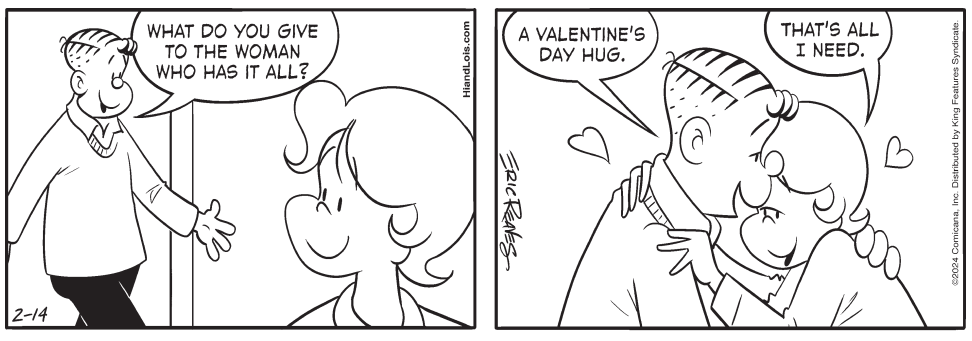


"Another thing we have in common, Daddy — we both have the same Valentine — Mommy!"

DENNIS THE MENACE

"THANKS FOR THE VALENTINE SURPRISE, HENRY...BUT WHERE'S ALL THE CANDY?"

HI & LOIS


WHAT DO YOU GIVE TO THE WOMAN WHO HAS IT ALL?
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A VALENTINE'S DAY HUG.
THAT'S ALL I NEED.
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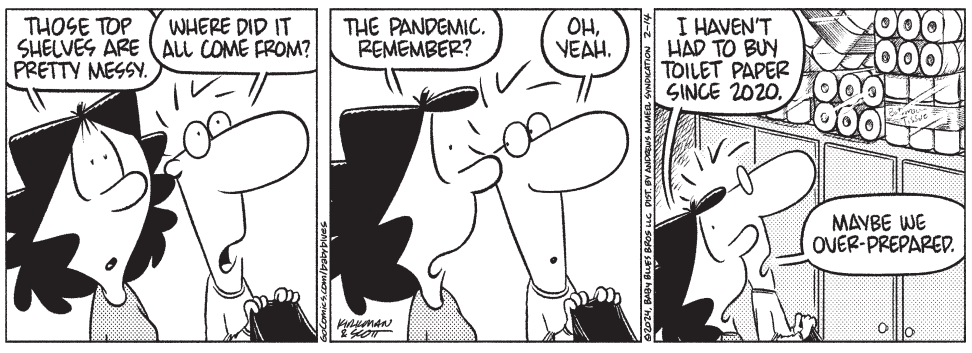
THOSE TOP SHELVES ARE PRETTY MESSY.
WHERE DID IT ALL COME FROM?
THE PANDEMIC. REMEMBER?
OH, YEAH.
I HAVEN'T HAD TO BUY TOILET PAPER SINCE 2020.
MAYBE WE OVER-PREPARED.
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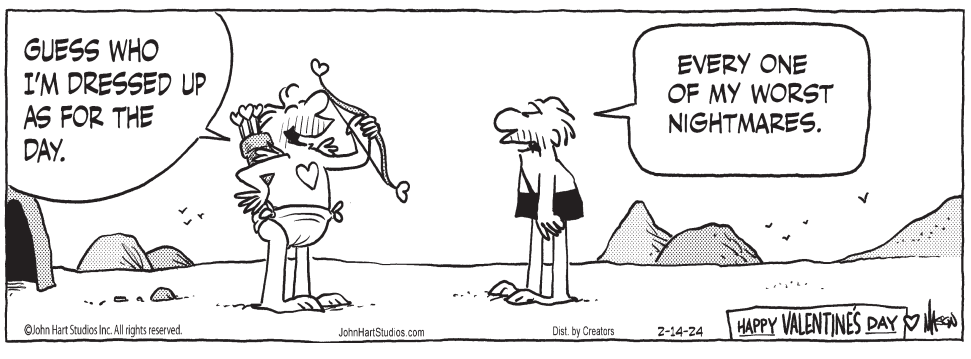
GUESS WHO I'M DRESSED UP AS FOR THE DAY.
EVERY ONE OF MY WORST NIGHTMARES.
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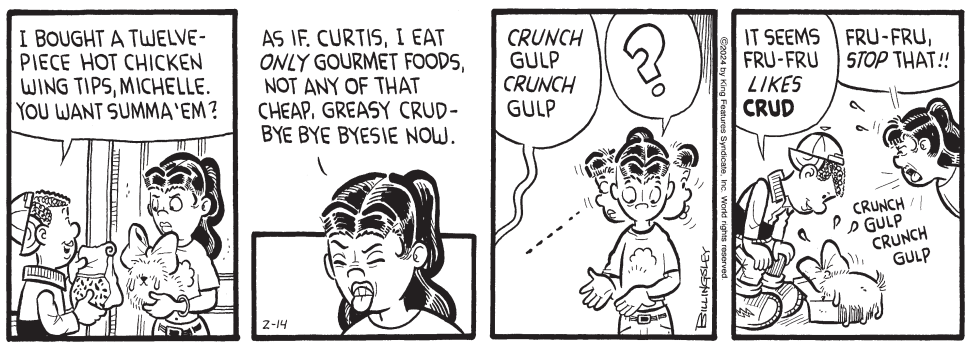
HAPPY VALENTINES DAY

CURTIS


I BOUGHT A TWELVE-PIECE HOT CHICKEN WING TIPS, MICHELLE. YOU WANT SUMMA 'EM?
AS IF, CURTIS, I EAT ONLY GOURMET FOODS, NOT ANY OF THAT CHEAP, GREASY CRUD-BYE BYE BYESIE NOW.
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CRUNCH GULP CRUNCH GULP
?
IT SEEMS FRU-FRU LIKES CRUD
FRU-FRU, STOP THAT!!
CRUNCH GULP CRUNCH GULP
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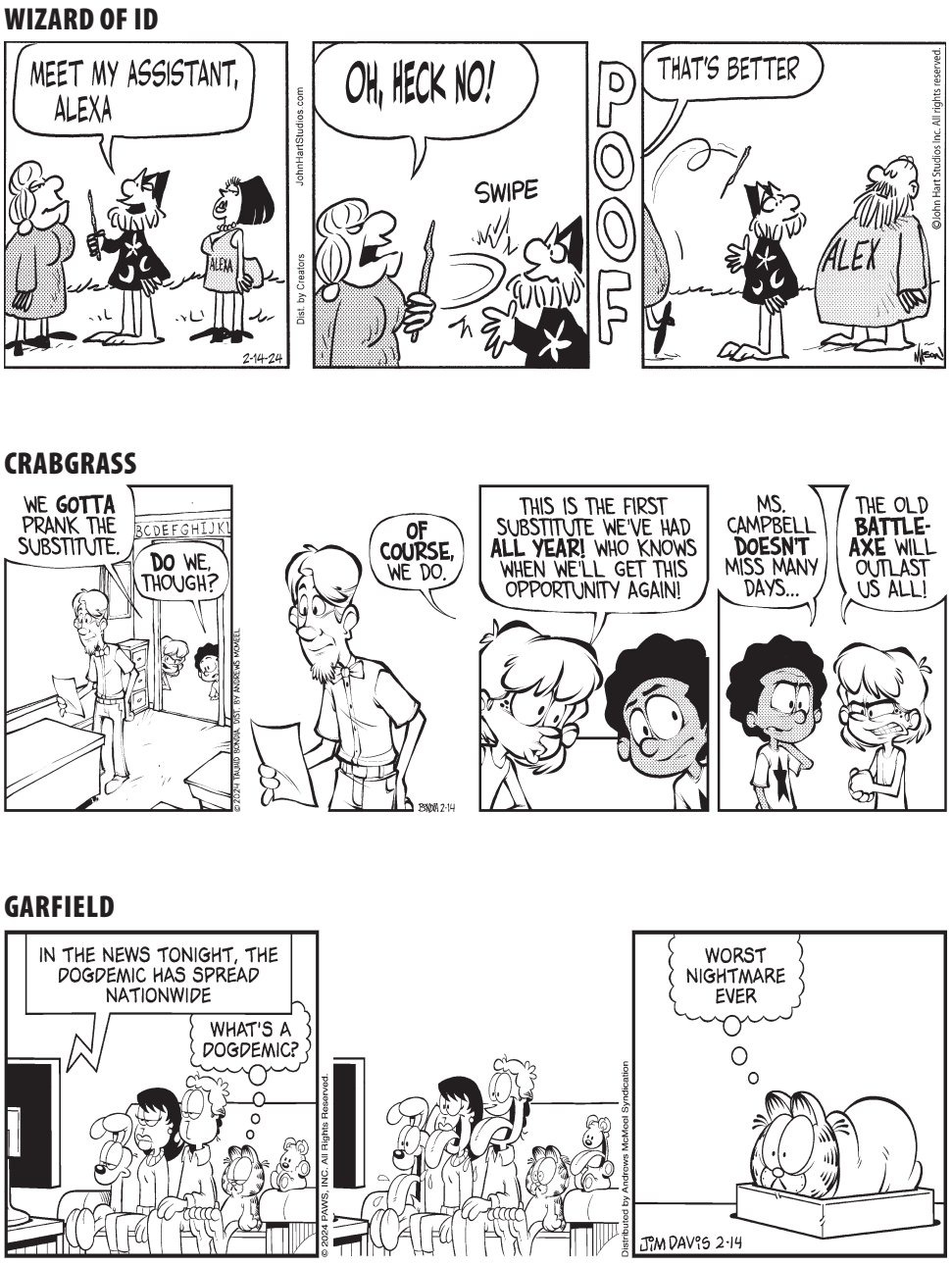

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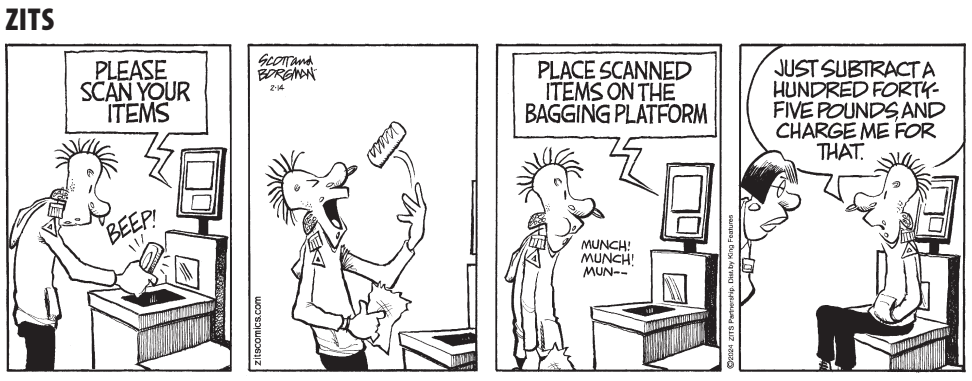
PLEASE SCAN YOUR ITEMS
BEEP!
SCOTT & BORGMAN
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PLACE SCANNED ITEMS ON THE BAGGING PLATFORM
MUNCH! MUNCH! MUN--
JUST SUBTRACT A HUNDRED FORTY-FIVE POUNDS AND CHARGE ME FOR THAT.
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CRABGRASS

WE GOTTA PRANK THE SUBSTITUTE.
ABCDEFGHIJKL
DO WE, THOUGH?
OF COURSE, WE DO.
THIS IS THE FIRST SUBSTITUTE WE'VE HAD ALL YEAR! WHO KNOWS WHEN WE'LL GET THIS OPPORTUNITY AGAIN!
MS. CAMPBELL DOESN'T MISS MANY DAYS...
THE OLD BATTLE-AXE WILL OUTLAST US ALL!
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GARFIELD

IN THE NEWS TONIGHT, THE DOGDEMIC HAS SPREAD NATIONWIDE
WHAT'S A DOGDEMIC?
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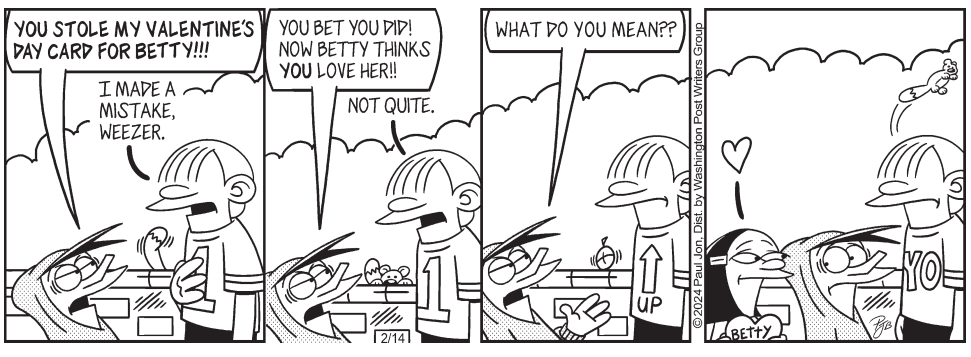
YOU STOLE MY VALENTINE'S DAY CARD FOR BETTY!!!
I MADE A MISTAKE, WEEZER.
YOU BET YOU DID! NOW BETTY THINKS YOU LOVE HER!!
NOT QUITE.
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WHAT DO YOU MEAN??
UP
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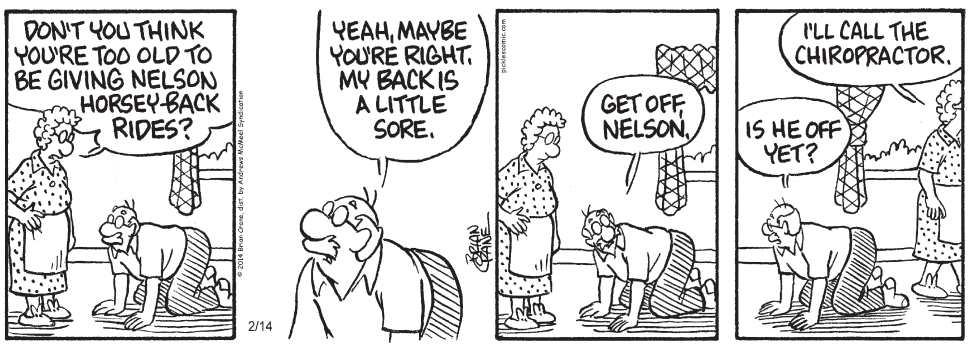
BETTY

PICKLES


DON'T YOU THINK YOU'RE TOO OLD TO BE GIVING NELSON HORSEY-BACK RIDES?
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YEAH, MAYBE YOU'RE RIGHT. MY BACK IS A LITTLE SORE.
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GET OFF, NELSON.
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I'LL CALL THE CHIROPRACTOR.
IS HE OFF YET?

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 14, 1967, Aretha Franklin recorded her cover of Otis Redding's "Respect" at Atlantic Records in New York.

On this date:

In 1876, inventors Alexander Graham Bell and Elisha Gray applied separately for patents related to the telephone. (The U.S. Supreme Court eventually ruled Bell the rightful inventor.)

In 1912, Arizona became the 48th state of the Union as President William Howard Taft signed a proclamation.

In 1913, labor leader Jimmy Hoffa was born in Brazil, Ind.; college football coach Woody Hayes was born in Clifton, Ohio; sports broadcaster Mel Allen was born in Birmingham, Ala.

In 1924, the Computing-Tabulating-Recording Co. of New York was formally renamed International Business Machines Corp., or IBM.

In 1929, the "St. Valentine's Day Massacre" took place in a Chicago garage as seven rivals of Al Capone's gang were gunned down.

In 1945, during World War II, British and Canadian forces reached the Rhine River in Germany.

In 1984, 6-year-old Stormie Jones became the world's first heart-liver transplant recipient when the surgery was performed at Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh.

In 1989, Iran's Ayatollah Khomeini called on Muslims to kill Salman Rushdie, author of "The Satanic Verses," a novel condemned as blasphemous.

In 2012, a fire broke out at a farm prison in Honduras, killing 361 inmates.

In 2013, double-amputee Olympic sprinter Oscar Pistorius shot and killed his girlfriend, Reeva Steenkamp, at his home in Pretoria, South Africa; he was later convicted of murder and served nearly nine years of a sentence of 13 years and five months before being released from prison in January 2024.

In 2017, a former store clerk, Pedro Hernandez, was convicted in New York of murder in one of the nation's most haunting missing-child cases, nearly 38 years after 6-year-old Etan Patz disappeared while on the way to a school bus stop.

In 2018, a gunman identified as a former student opened fire with a semi-automatic rifle at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School near Fort Lauderdale, Fla., killing 17 people in the nation's deadliest school shooting since the attack in Newtown, Conn., more than five years earlier. (Nikolas Cruz pleaded guilty to murder in October 2021 and was sentenced in November 2022 to life in prison without the possibility of parole.)

Today's birthdays:

Former New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg is 82. Jazz musician Maceo Parker is 81. Journalist Carl Bernstein is 80. Former Sen. Judd Gregg, R-N.H., is 77. TV personality Pat O'Brien is 76. Magician Teller (Penn and Teller) is 76. Cajun singer-musician Michael Doucet (Beausoleil) is 73. Actor Ken Wahl is 67. Opera singer Renee Fleming is 65. Actor Meg Tilly is 64. Pro Football Hall of Famer Jim Kelly is 64. Singer-producer Dwayne Wiggins is 63. Actor Sakina Jaffrey is 62. Actor Enrico Colantoni is 61. Actor Zach Galligan is 60. Former tennis player Manuela Maleeva is 57. Actor Simon Pegg is 54. Rock musician Kevin Baldes (Lit) is 52. Rock singer Rob Thomas (Matchbox Twenty) is 52. Former NFL quarterback Drew Bledsoe is 52. Actor Danai Gurira is 46. Actor Matt Barr is 40. Actor Stephanie Leonidas is 40. Actor Jake Lacy is 38. Actor Tiffany Thornton is 38. Actor Brett Dier is 34. Actor Freddie Highmore is 32.

Progress reported on cleanup on pair of Kent properties

BY BOB DEMAREE

Two properties destroyed more than 14 months ago by fire in Kent are showing process toward getting cleaned up based on an update at Thursday's Jefferson County Commissioners meeting.

The properties, owned by Arlie Colvin, are at 8225 and 8231 West Kent State Road 256 in Kent. They were destroyed by fire in November 2022.

In the months since, there have been complaints to clean up the properties resulting in an unsafe building hearing in December at which Arlie Colvin II reported that settlement money from the insurance claim would provide him with resources towards getting the property cleaned up. Colvin presented photographs to the Commissioners at last week's meeting showing progress that has been made. He is hoping to have the property cleaned up by the end of March.

"We wanted to make sure things have progressed," said Commissioner David Bramer, asking Colvin to come back to a meeting in April for another update. "You're making progress and that's what we want to see."

In other business, the Commissioners:

• Approved a renewal of the county's worker compensation coverage through RLS Insurance for a premium of $99,469, along with reserve officer accident and sickness policy for a premium of $519.

• Faith Weir, the county's Veterans Service Officer, gave a year-end update of work done by the Jefferson County Veterans Service Office. She reported 2,575 claims that were filed for veterans and their spouses in 2023. Weir said the Veterans office had 2,477 appointments (796 in-office appointments, 1,533 walk-in visits, 148 out-of-office appointments) and 278 veteran transportations. The total monetary benefit to Jefferson County veterans during the year was $2,228,701.24.

"Our goal for this year is to do more community outreach, getting our faces out in the public and presenting more awareness," said Weir.

• Pam Crozier, financial center manager for First Financial Bank, sought permission from the Commissioners for each Jefferson County government employee to meet with an advisor with the bank along with the opportunity to open an account relationship. She said there would be benefits for the employees such as loan rate discounts, mortgage closing cost discounts and more. The Commissioners made no decision on the request.

• Brandon Tucker, the county's interim 911 Director, said that due to a staffing shortage, there has been work on recruitment for dispatchers. He said 95 applications have been received that has led to interviews.

• Highway Superintendent Bobby Phillips said the road department is trying to keep up with winter pothole patching.

"It's definitely pothole season" with several throughout the county that need to be addressed. "We're trying to fill those up, and dealing with those as quick as we can."

• Adam Artis, who lives on Grange Hill Road, attended the meeting to voice concerns that police came to his house on a complaint of loud music. Artis said he does play loud music but "with the doors closed and the windows closed, you may be able to hear it outside but it's not going to rattle your windows." Bramer informed Artis that the county doesn't have a noise ordinance.

• Commissioner Bobby Little updated that the county has received $300,000 from the state in reimbursement from public defender salaries.

Making art with collage

Bob Demaree

The Madison Area Arts Alliance held a reception on the Art of Collage and Assemblage on Friday. Pictured is artist Sara Wines next to the collages she developed on broken mirrors. "I think that's the philosophy of a lot of us who do collage. Finding things that other people may overlook" and turn it into art. Wines, a 2015 graduate of Hanover College, grew up in Lyons, Indiana, but now lives in Madison.

There was a good turnout Friday for the Art of Collage and Assemblage event hosted by the Madison Area Arts Alliance. Works were displayed by Bee Jay Elles, Trish Korte, Melissa Porter, Ross Polley, Kevin Rose Schultz, Patricia Fleming, Sara Wines, Jensen Bowker, Amelia Shaw, Bevany Phelps, Patty Cooper Wells, Martha Harden, Cindie Underwood Vanderbur, Curt Vanderbur and Brette McGlasson.

Indiana high court weighs Senate hopeful's challenge to state statute

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

INDIANAPOLIS — The Indiana Supreme Court heard arguments Monday over the state's challenge to a lower court ruling that would allow a man to run for one of the state's U.S. Senate seats as a Republican, even though the state GOP doesn't back his candidacy.

A state law says a candidate's past two primary ballots must be cast with their affiliated party or a county party chair must approve the candidacy, but farmer John Rust challenged the statute and a lower court ruled in his favor, granting a temporary injunction allowing him to run in the May primary as a Republican.

Rust, the former chair of the egg supplier Rose Acre Farms, is vying to replace Sen. Mike Braun, who is vacating the seat to run for governor.

Rust voted as a Republican in the 2016 primary but as a Democrat in 2012. He said he didn't vote in the 2020 Republican primary due to the pandemic and the lack of competitive Republican races in Jackson County, and that his votes for Democrats were for people he personally knew.

The county's Republican Party chair said in a July meeting with Rust that she would not certify him, according to the lawsuit. Rust has said she later cited his primary voting record.

Rust filed a lawsuit in September against Secretary of State Diego Morales, the Indiana Election Commission and Jackson County Republican Party Chair Amanda Lowery challenging the law. Rust officially filed with the office Feb. 5 to run as a Republican, according to state records.

Indiana's five Supreme Court justices questioned attorneys Monday about the state's interest in regulating primary candidates.

Brown Gym floor promised to be safe from roller skating party

BY BOB DEMAREE

With assurances that the Brown Gym floor will be safeguarded against damage, a Roller Skating Party coming up next week is moving forward after concerns were expressed at Monday's meeting of the Madison Parks Board.

The Parks Department is hosting a Roller Skating Party, billed as a retro disco skate party with neon lights and disco balls. The event, set for Friday, Feb. 16, from 6-10 p.m. at the Brown Gym, has a $10 entrance fee with $5 skate rental.

Madison Parks Director Scott Klein said the skate party is the parks department's highest performing social media post so far this year with a reach of 32,700.

There have been "overwhelming results" in the amount of interest, said Deputy Parks Director Tanya Burnette. She said 100 pairs of skates will be available but patrons can bring in their own.

Board President Carla Krebs expressed concern about potential damage to the gym floor at the Brown Gym, which was home to the 1950 state basketball champion Madison Cubs. "If I have roller blades and I skate on blacktop and concrete, then I'm bringing in these roughed wheels to skate on our beautiful floor, do we have a plan for that? Are we worried about that?"

Klein said the insurance requires that all skates be checked as they come in to make sure they are in good enough shape to be on the floor. "If there's anything that comes in that's not in good shape, we reject them and tell them not to bring them in," he said.

Madison resident Lisa Ferguson expressed concerns about roller skating on the wooden gym floor. "My dad used to own roller skating rinks so I have a history of roller skating rinks. And that gym floor is precious to those pickleball people." She said she's not saying the roller skating "will not turn out great" but she is concerned that it might pull tape from the floor that's there for pickleball.

"I want to remind everybody that Brown Gym is for everybody to use," said Klein, noting with 33,000 people engaging online there is considerable interest in the event. "Your point is valid about the floor. We're definitely concerned about the floor and making sure it's fine, but Brown Gym can't just be for a group of people just doing what they want to do. If we don't have community engagement and use of that building, it will not be standing, so we have to get people in there and be active in that building on a wide variety of programs."

Klein said the city, "loves the pickleballers. We want to do more to give them access for more places to play" but he it's also a matter of providing the community with events "they don't have access to, and I think this a real great event. I'm not really worried about tape on the floor. We can put tape back on the floor."

In other business, the Parks Board:

• Announced that Michelle Sanchez has been hired as Senior Center Coordinator, replacing Mary Ann Moore who resigned because she's moving to Greensburg.

• Burnette said there is currently a survey concerning the city's Christmas parade and possibly moving to an evening Parade of Lights. "Everything we've gotten back so far has been in favor of that other than working out a few logistical things," she said. However, she said there have been concerns about how it would impact the Nights Before Christmas Tour of Homes which data has shown has a $1 million economic impact on the local economy.

• Burnette said a committee that includes Klein, Burnette, Krebs, Christian Hanson, Tony Steinhardt III, Phyllis Steinhardt, Hillary Beall and Ann Roller are meeting on a renovation plan for John Paul Park. Schematic designs have already been done with three different options by Environs Inc. Landscape Architecture firm in 2008, and the committee reviewed those and reached out to that company to do an update for $3,500. "It saved a whole lot of time and money to not have to start from scratch," Burnette said.

"We are well aware of the money we would have to raise to do the modifications to John Paul Park, and it would be a multi-year process, and we're already brainstorming grants and all sorts of other financial things to do the work," Krebs said.

• Klein reported that gross revenue for the campground in January was just slightly more than $61,000 based on reservations taken. "January is always the biggest month with a lot of anticipation when we open for reservations" especially for the big events and festival weekends. "This year was no exception to that."

He said expenses were $11,260 which is for usual for electric and water costs at this time of year, and fees that are collected during the year that are paid out. That made the net revenue for the campground in January $49,755, an improvement over last year when gross revenue was $53,000 and net revenue $45,343.

• Klein said there was a bid opening for renovation of the Main Street Comfort Station and the low bid of $170,000 was much higher than anticipated. He said the preliminary budget was $80,000, which included a $40,000 contribution from the Jefferson County Board of Tourism.

"I'm in the process now of going through and doing value engineering, working on cutting scope where we can and still make sense with what we're renovating, Klein said, adding that so far that's brought cost estimates down to $125,000. "We still have to pare than down a little more."

• Klein said last week there was a meeting with Schmidt and Associates to review a schematic design for the basement of Brown Gym. "We loved it. We thought it looked great. We liked their concept of how to open up that area, and make it feel larger." He expects final design will be complete in approximately one month which will be presented to the community at an open house that will most likely take place in April.

• Klein said preliminary drawings for updating Rucker Sports Complex were received two weeks ago, and he expects to have more detailed drawings in a couple of weeks that should help determine the programming there for the next 30 years.

• Klein said that all night softball leagues are being moved to John Paul Park from Rucker Sports Complex this summer. "I don't want spend more money at Rucker trying to fix lights and replace lights, chase the scoreboard and try to fix that," he said. "It was problematic for us last summer and expensive for us to fix."

He said the drainage issues will be addressed at John Paul Park by raising the infield and installing drains around the backstop. Pricing is also being sought to replace the dugouts. "All of this is short-term so we can play there, so it's playable and comfortable" until a full renovation can take place at John Paul Park.

• Klein said he's working towards obtaining community sponsorships for athletic programs and events. In particular, he said he will be looking for sponsorships to offset the cost of registration fees. "I want families to not have to make a choice on whether their child can do an activity with the city of Madison because they can't afford" fees, he said. "If we can get community sponsorships to help pay for registration fees, I think that's one more thing we can take off of parents' backs this year ... That will be a huge help to the families in Madison and all the people who use our parks for recreation and other activities."

Storm destroys Parker Farm Supply warehouse

BY ROBB HOFF

The damage and debris strewn across the Parker Farm Supply grounds in Port Royal brought the community of friends and customers of Ben and Mandy Parker to the scene to help with the daunting clean-up in the aftermath of the early morning storm that descended on the property around 5 a.m. on Saturday.

No injuries from the storm were reported, but the damage at Parker Farm Supply required immediate attention.

"A lot of people come out here to do business," District 3 Henry County Magistrate Kevin McManis said at the scene. "Ben's got a lot of friends. They're good people."

Another magistrate on scene, Brad Fisher of District 5, also joined the community crew that converged at the scene to help the Parkers.

"That's the way it's supposed to be," he said of the support for the Parkers.

While Ben Parker manned the forklift to relocate pallets of bagged seed, feed, concrete mix and other product away from the destroyed warehouse, Mandy Parker worked with the others to clear and sort the debris left in the wake of the storm.

Robb Hoff

Volunteers converged at the Parker Farm Supply in Port Royal to help clean up the storm damage.

"We've made pretty good progress with people showing up," she said. "That's good."

Besides all the structural damage, the Parkers also faced the daunting task of determining what could be salvaged.

"Everything is on inventory, but we don't know how that's going to work," she said of the materials left without warehouse protection. "We're just going to see what we can save."

She said the top layer of feed in burlap sacks might be ruined by exposure to the storm downpour but hoped for the best.

"Maybe some of the bottom will be okay," she said. "We'll see what we got."

The storm destroyed the warehouse but spared the store and restaurant building, which remained open for business.

Pastor Ron Laughlin of the Port Royal Methodist Church across Port Royal Road from Parkers Farm Supply said he come to town from his home in New Castle for breakfast at the restaurant when he drove upon the scene of destruction. He stayed to help with the cleanup.

"This is real small-town America," he said. "People step up and do what needs to be done to help their neighbors."

While the store and restaurant building next to the warehouse survived, the house on the other side next to the warehouse owned by Buddy and Jenny Sturgeon didn't fare as well. Its front porch collapsed, and it sustained additional damage visible at the back of the residence. The tornadic winds blew a passenger car from their property into the yard of the neighboring property belonging to Jesse and Ashley Carrion, the latter who was home with her daughters at the time the storm struck.

"It was crazy," she said, "because it sounded like a semi maybe lost control on the road and hit our house. Then I popped up out of bed, and it was like a train was going through."

The Carrions' daughter Aubree also commented about the force of the storm as it hit.

"It was terrifying," she said. "It was like the whole house was shaking."

Preliminary confirmation of an EF-1 tornado with wind up to 90 mph was issued by the National Weather Service at the time of this report, which former owner of the Parker Farm Supply property, Darlene Hawkins Tipton, helped inform from the outset with photographs she sent to the Henry County Local editor.

By Sunday afternoon, much of the debris had been removed from the Parker Farm Supply site though the efforts of the community and the Parker family.

RACE

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vacancies for the general election.

In Indiana House of Representatives District 67, Chad Meinders of Milan filed his candidacy in the Republican primary against incumbent Alex Zimmerman, the North Vernon attorney who was elected in Republican caucus last summer to replace Randy Frye after Frye resigned.

There were no filings in the Democratic primary for District 67. In Jefferson County, the district includes Graham, Lancaster, Madison, Monroe, Republican, Shelby and Smyrna townships, with rest of the district including portions of Decatur, Jennings, Ripley and Jefferson County.

In Indiana House of Representatives District 68, Brent Fox filed in the Republican primary against Garrett Bascom, while Lisa Barker filed in the Democratic primary. District 68 includes Milton Township in Jefferson County along with all of Dearborn, Ohio and Switzerland counties. This district is currently represented by Randy Lyness who is retiring at the end of his term in December.

In Indiana House of Representatives District 66, incumbent Zach Payne will be facing James E. Baker in the Republican primary while Rick Cannon and Jennifer David will compete in the Democratic primary. District 66 includes Hanover and Saluda townships in Jefferson County along with portions of Clark and Scott counties.

Candidates filing for Ninth District Congress are incumbent Erin Houchin and Hugh Doty, both Republicans, and Tim Peck and Liam Dorris, both Democrats.

Statewide, there are three candidates who have filed in Indiana for President of the United States. They are Joe Biden in the Democratic primary and Donald Trump and Nikki Haley in the Republican primary.

For Indiana Governor, there was a new filing in the Democratic primary — Tamie Dixon-Tatum of Anderson, who will be competing against former State Superintendent of Public Instruction Jennifer McCormick.

There are six candidates in the Republican primary for Governor — U.S. Sen. Mike Braun, Lieutenant Governor Suzanne Crouch, former Indiana Attorney General Curtis Hill, former Indiana Secretary of Commerce Brad Chambers, Fort Wayne businessman Eric Doden and Jamie Reitenour of Indianapolis.

For U.S. Senator, Marc Carmichael filed his candidacy Thursday as a Democrat, and will be facing Valerie McCray. There are two candidates in the Republican primary for U.S. Senator — Jim Banks and John Rust.

There were several new filings last week for convention delegates — six Republicans and two Democrats.

New Republican delegate filings include Mary Beth Boone, Cathy Hale, James C. Jones, Anita Martin, Mindy McGee and Patrick Thevenow. Previous Republican convention delegate filings were David Carlow, Bob Courtney, Andrew Forrester, Laura Hodges, Linda Pittman, Mike Pittman, Rick Reuss, Chris Shelton and Joshua Webb.

New Democratic delegate filings are Susan Patterson and Jeffrey Phillips. Previous Democratic convention delegate filings were Jim Crone and Marilyn Hutchinson.

There were 10 new filings for Republican precinct committeeman. They are Mindy McGee and Thevenow, both for Madison 2-1; Cory Thomas and Jones, both for Saluda Township; Dwayne May for Madison 3; Rick Reuss for Madison 4-1; Anna Nelson for Madison 5-1, Donovan Smith for Hanover 1; Douglas Hobbs for Lancaster Township; Logan Gray for Republican Township; and Gina Center-Dean for Smyrna Township.

Previous Republican precinct committeeman filings were David Smith, Madison Township 1; Forrester, Madison Precinct 2-2; Carlow, Madison Third ward, and Keith Martin, Smyrna Township.

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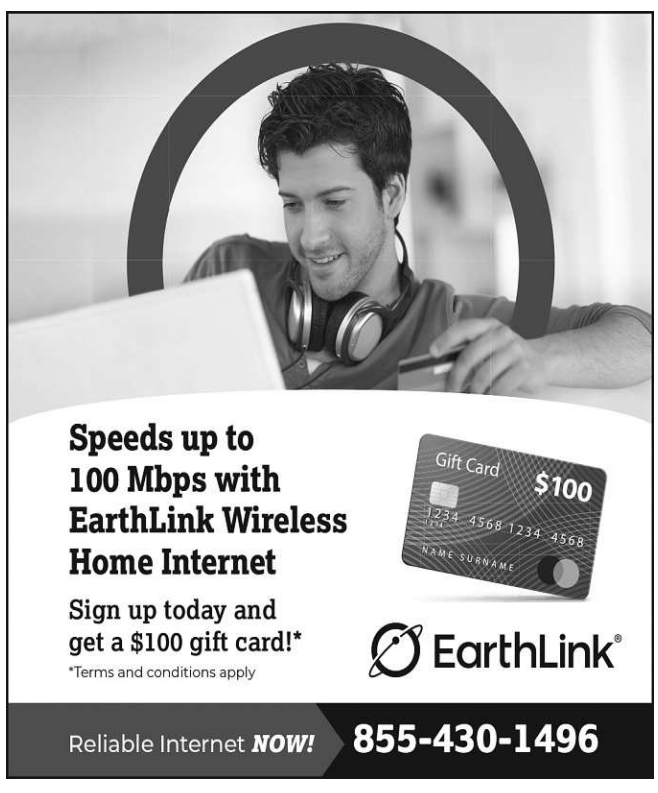
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River Terrace expanding with 7 new units

BY BOB DEMAREE

An expansion later this year at River Terrace Health Campus, the senior living facility that opened in February 2016 in the former location of King's Daughters' Hospital in downtown Madison, to provide additional independent living units.

Lieutenant Governor Suzanne Crouch toured River Terrace Health Campus on Friday as part of the announcement of a seven-unit expansion.

River Terrace, located at 120 Presbyterian Avenue, currently has 102 units — 28 in the health center for Medicare and long term private pay, 22 for Medicaid long term, 28 assisted living and 24 independent living apartments. The new independent living units will increase the overall total to 109 units and the total independent living units to 31.

The actual capacity at River Terrace is slightly larger with four assisted living apartments that can hold two people due to size, and nine two-bedroom independent living apartments.

Bob Demaree

Indiana Lieutenant Governor Suzanne Crouch on Friday toured River Terrace Health Campus as an announcement was made that seven new independent living units will be added by the end of this year.

This is the second expansion of independent living units at River Terrace which in February 2020 added eight units in a first floor area that had been the emergency room when the hospital occupied the building. The new units will also be on the first floor by repurposing an area that was formerly meeting rooms.

Rhonda Gibson, executive director of River Terrace, said design plans have been completed, and the facility is now in the process of obtaining state approval for permits to do the work with plans for the new units to be completed by the end of the year. She said the expansion will require hiring more staff at River Terrace, owned by Trilogy Health Services LLC.

Crouch said the River Terrace expansion is good "because we need places for people to live on all levels."

Crouch said her first job was at a healthcare facility as a nurse's aid during her senior year in high school, and she continued to work there while in college during summers and on weekends. "It was probably the best job I ever had because it was at the beginning of my life, and I was able to hear the life experiences and incredible stories" that provided a foundation to build upon. "It made quite an impression on me."

Last week, Crouch called for an independent, outside audit of the Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA) following a $1 billion Medicaid overspend that was discovered due to a forecasting error in December. FSSA has now identified $300 million in program cuts, one of the largest being an attendant care program for parents of medically complex children.

"We need to make sure we don't have these kinds of mistakes made in the future," she said. "It's extremely important that the $1 billion error that FSSA made is not put on the back of these children and families. We need to ensure moving forward that they get the care that they need and deserve," emphasizing it's critical to care for them. "I have said so many times how we care for the most vulnerable among us is how we will be judged, and we don't want to be judged this way."

Crouch, on Friday also toured Grote Industries, Madison Precision, Super ATV, Auxier Gas and Ohio Valley Opportunities. On Saturday, she went to see the mastodon exhibit at Hanover College then attended the Children's Advocacy Center of Southeastern Indiana Mardi Gras Ball that evening.

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The National Weather Service reported an EF-1 tornado in Clark County touched down just south of Underwood, and was on the ground for one mile with a maximum width of 75 yards and wind speed of 90 mph. The tornado began on the shoulder of Interstate 65, struck the south end of Henretty Road, and lifted just east of US 31. Damage was done to trees, barns, and one home.

In Henry County, the National Weather Service reported the EF-1 tornado touched down east of Gullion Branch Road and caused scattered tree damage. The tornado then moved into the town of Port Royal and did more significant damage near Port Royal Road.

A pole barn was completely destroyed and its debris was carried more than a quarter-mile to the east-northeast. Several other structures had roof and siding damage. Several trees were snapped or sheared apart, with roof debris wrapping around some of the trees.

Tree debris was in a convergent pattern, with most of it pointing toward the southeast to northeast directions. Nearby vehicles had mud splatter from the tornado as it tore through that portion of town. One vehicle was lifted, moved several feet away, and rotated 90 degrees. The tornado impacted trees further east before lifting in a field.

Cindy Warrick

Straight line winds that went through Trimble County damaged the roof of the Morgan Community Center in Bedford. Most of the Trimble County damage was in the southern part of the county in the Morton Ridge area.

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goals for each of those key performance indicators," said Cochran, executive director of River Hills Economic Development District Regional Planning Commission, hired by the region to oversee the READI process.

Cochran said the Lilly dollars have been specifically set aside for $185 million to be used directly on blight remediation and redevelopment and $65 million set aside for arts and culture. He said IEDC is still in the process of developing policy for administering the Lilly funds.

Blight elimination has been a focus of the city of Madison by Mayor Bob Courney, who noted after the meeting that his "ears perked up" when he heard there was potential funding to help with that.

The deadline for regions to submit their READI 2.0 application is this coming Friday in which OurSIRDA will be seeking the maximum $75 million that can be received.

Cochran said IEDC representatives were in Clark and Floyd counties early last week "to review the application to see things within our region we wanted to highlight." Because the IEDC's visit was limited to 1-1/2 days, there wasn't time for them to travel to the region's other counties — Jefferson, Scott and Washington — but Cochran said there was participation from representatives of all five counties who were able to meet with IEDC officials to advocate for their past and future projects.

During the meetings with the IEDC officials, OurSIRDA received input about the region's draft application. "Getting feedback from them Tuesday, we're going to incorporate a few changes based on their recommendations. We'll need a little more time to edit the final document," said Cochran who plans to submit the application late in the day Thursday or Friday morning.

Photos by Bob Demaree

Ken Rush (left), a member of the Our Southern Indiana Regional Development Authority board of directors, talks with Kevin Kellems, the Jefferson County board members, on Friday as the board met at the Hanover College campus.

Madison Mayor Bob Courtney gave a presentation about the Destination Madison and the city's workforce development projects at Friday's meeting of Our Southern Indiana Regional Development Authority held on the Hanover College campus.

The meeting also included a presentation by Courtney and Tony Steinhardt III, the city's economic development director, on Destination Madison for which the city received $2,556,200 in READI 1.0 funding.

Courtney said the city already had projects in planning stages when the IEDC introduced READI in 2021, and was prepared to move forward on the projects when the funding became available. "We were already cultivating workforce and destination planning" towards "implementing a vision for the type of community we want to live in," he said.

Steinhardt highlighted several of those projects including creating the Mulberry Street Mural Plaza, the gateway improvements off the Milton-Madison Bridge, the creation of the new park along Poplar Street and plans for the Madison-Hanover connector trail. He also mentioned the Ohio Theatre facade improvements which are expected to begin this spring.

He said the city is seeking READI 2.0 funds to complete the Super Overlook with steel beam arches on the upper level and to illuminate the Milton-Madison bridge with LED lights. "We know that bridge illumination attracts tourists," said Steinhardt. Also, READI 2.0 funds are being sought for a permanent amphitheater in Bicentennial Park.

Kevin Kellems, Jefferson County's representative on the OurSIRDA board of directors, said IEDC officials indicated that "destination and attraction were key elements going forward as far as attributes that would help inspire more population growth and tourism," which is consistent with the READI projects that Madison has done and is doing.

Kellems also noted Jefferson County will be seeking funding to develop a campground at Jefferson Proving Ground, construct a new county animal shelter and sewer upgrades for the Telegraph Hill-Rykers Ridge Regional Sewer District. Additionally, Kellems said the county has a future focus on improving and strengthening the Indiana 62 corridor in Jefferson County towards Clark County.

In other business, the OurSIRDA board approved $433,500 to the Scott County YMCA for engineering assessments and equipment repair and $75,000 to Washington County for comprehensive planning. The funds are coming from $700,000 that had been allocated for a proposed Southern Indiana Youth Complex in Scott County, but that project was canceled after total cost was more than anticipated.

The remaining $127,000 is being reallocated with $127,000 going to Scott County school districts 1 and 2 for early childhood learning and pre-kindergarten equipment, and is expected to be submitted to the board for approval at a future meeting.

Huber expressed appreciation to Hanover College for hosting the meeting. "Every time I'm here, I feel the stress roll off as you walk onto campus," adding that "it's nice to be here."

Mahomes rallies Chiefs to Super Bowl title

BY ROB MAADDI
AP PRO FOOTBALL WRITER

AP Photo — Ashley Landis

Kansas City Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes holds the Vince Lombardi Trophy after Super Bowl 58 on Sunday in Las Vegas. The Chiefs beat the 49ers 25-22 in overtime for their second consecutive championship.

LAS VEGAS — Patrick Mahomes, Travis Kelce and Andy Reid have made the Kansas City Chiefs a dynasty.

They're already thinking three-peat.

First, they had to become the first back-to-back Super Bowl champions in 19 years.

Mahomes made sure of it, leading another super comeback on the NFL's biggest stage in America's showcase capital.

Mahomes threw a 3-yard touchdown pass to Mecole Hardman in overtime, and the Chiefs rallied to beat the San Francisco 49ers 25-22 on Sunday, becoming the NFL's ninth repeat Super Bowl champs.

With pop star Taylor Swift watching boyfriend Kelce from a suite, the Chiefs captured their third title in five years, a run that puts them among the league's greatest franchises.

"Well, you know the goal has always been to get three," Kelce screamed on stage after sharing a kiss with Swift. "But we couldn't get here without getting that two, and having that target on our back all year. ... How about that. We get a chance to do it three times in a row."

The NFL's first Super Bowl in Las Vegas was a sloppy, mistake-filled affair that was mostly boring until the back-and-forth fourth quarter and OT. It was the second of 58 Super Bowls to be tied after regulation, and the first played under new overtime rules that ensured both teams got the ball.

The Chiefs (15-6) trailed 22-19 after Jake Moody kicked a 27-yard field goal on the first possession of overtime, but Mahomes rallied the Chiefs, completing another impressive comeback in a rematch of the Super Bowl four years ago.

Mahomes ran 8 yards on fourth-and-1 to keep the Chiefs' chances alive and then scrambled 19 yards to set up the winning score, which came 14:57 into the extra period — just before what would have been the second OT.

"With all the adversity we've been through this season to come through tonight. ... I'm proud of the guys," said Mahomes, who earned his third Super Bowl MVP award. "This is awesome. Legendary."

After he connected with a wide-open Hardman, the Chiefs ran on the field as red-and-yellow confetti fell onto the turf.

Mahomes and Reid are now halfway to Tom Brady and Bill Belichick, who won six championships in 20 years together with the New England Patriots and were the most recent team to go back-to-back following the 2003-04 seasons.

The 28-year-old Mahomes becomes the fourth starting QB to win three Super Bowls — joining Brady, Joe Montana, Terry Bradshaw and Troy Aikman — and second-youngest.

"I am going to celebrate tonight, celebrate at the parade and then work my way to get back in this game next year," Mahomes said. "I am going to do whatever I can to be back in this game next year. Three-peat."

The most excitement in the first half came when a frustrated Kelce bumped Reid on the sideline, knocking the Chiefs' 65-year-old coach a few steps back after teammate Isiah Pacheco fumbled inside the red zone during the second quarter.

"You guys saw that?" Kelce said. "I'm going to keep it between us unless my 'mic'd up' tells the world. I was just telling him how much I loved him."

The action picked up after a crucial blunder by San Francisco's special teams set up Mahomes' 16-yard TD pass to Marquez Valdes-Scantling for a 13-10 lead.

Brock Purdy and the 49ers (14-6) answered but they couldn't make enough plays, denying Mr. Irrelevant an opportunity to go from last pick in the 2022 NFL draft to Super Bowl champion.

"We have the offense to score touchdowns and I failed to put the team in position to do that," Purdy said.

Niners wide receiver Jauan Jennings threw a TD pass and caught one, joining Eagles quarterback Nick Foles six years ago as the only players to do both in the Super Bowl.

After Moody's 53-yard field goal gave the Niners a 19-16 lead with 1:53 remaining, Mahomes and Kelce went to work. Mahomes connected with Kelce for a 22-yard gain to set up Harrison Butker's tying kick, a 29-yarder with 3 seconds left.

A holding call on Kansas City's Trent McDuffie extended San Francisco's opening drive of overtime and Purdy made key throws to drive the 49ers to the Chiefs 9. But San Francisco settled for a field goal.

Purdy, Christian McCaffrey and the Niners jumped ahead 10-0, but that's no big deal for Mahomes and the Chiefs in the

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Southwestern closes out unbeaten run through ORVC with win over Rising Sun

BY DAVID CAMPBELL

It took two quarters for Southwestern to start playing its brand of basketball but once it did, the Rebels looked like their usual unstoppable selves.

Southwestern, ranked fifth in Class 2A, blew open a close nine-point game at halftime with 41 points over the final two quarters to roll conference foe Rising Sun 66-35 at home on senior night on Friday.

The win wrapped up a perfect 6-0 record in the Ohio River Valley Conference and allowed the Rebels to turn their sights toward the sectional tournament in two weeks.

"I told them they didn't just win it, they won it in dominating fashion so I was really proud of them for that," Southwestern coach Zac Nussbaum said of the conference title. "Now we have a week where we play three games in six days and it'll give us a chance to kind of look what it's like to win a sectional because that's the next goal on the list."

Southwestern (18-2, 6-0 ORVC) wasn't as sharp as usual in the first half after waiting through the NBA All-Star Game Knockout contest before the game — which was won by Nussbaum's eighth-grade son Andrew — as well as senior night festivities.

The result was an uneven first 16 points which saw Southwestern take a double-digit lead early but not knock the Shiners out as the Rebels took just a 25-16 lead into halftime.

"We didn't come out with the right focus that we need to," Nussbaum said. "It's hard with all the hoopla going on. But we came out second half and did exactly what we needed to do to get get the job done."

Southwestern performed at its usual style in the second half and quickly put the game away. The Rebels outscored Rising Sun 24-4 in the third quarter to push the lead to 31 before Nussbaum began subbing heavily. Every player in uniform saw action for Southwestern with 10 finding the scoring column.

"We were sometimes making the wrong next pass in the first half but once we started moving the ball, we're almost impossible to guard," Nussbaum said. We have to get the stops and we have to play better defense, and have a little bit better focus."

Jamison Lewis, who joined Southwestern's 1,000-point club last week, scored 20 points to lead the way while Peyton Cloud added 15 points and Landon Kidwell scored nine.

Southwestern now faces a tough three-game stretch — all on the road — to close out the regular season. After traveling to sectional foe Austin (6-13) on Friday, the Rebels will head to Class 3A No. 4 Scottsburg (15-4) on Saturday and wrap up the regular season at Charlestown (11-9) on Tuesday, Feb. 20.

All three opponents will present a challenge to Southwestern.

"Austin's a possible sectional opponent and all three are not easy places to play," Nussbaum said. "I think our boys are ready for that type of challenge and it'll be good for us."

David Campbell

Southwestern's Landon Kidwell (34) rips down a rebound during the Rebels' win over Rising Sun on Friday to clinch the outright Ohio River Valley Conference title by going unfefeated in the league.

Season ends for Madison's Kuppler, Canida at swim state finals

BY THE COURIER STAFF

The stellar swim seasons for Madison's Reilly Kuppler and Lilly Canida came to an end at the IHSAA State Finals at the Indiana University Natatorium in Indianapolis on Friday night.

Kuppler, a junior, qualified for the state finals in two different events. She placed 27th in the 50-yard freestyle in 24.70 and was 30th in the 100 freestyle in 55.23. Penn's Lilian Christianson won the state championship in both events, posting a state record of 21.72 in the 50 free and a time of 48.45 in the 100 free.

Canida, a sophomore making her second-straight appearance in the finals, placed 30th in the 200 freestyle in 2:00.78. Carmel's Lynsey Bowen won the state championship in the event in 1:45.74.

Carmel won the team state championship for the 38th-straight year, posting a dominating 433 points. Penn was second with 212.

SPORTS CALENDAR

Tuesday, Feb. 13

BASKETBALL

Carroll Co. girls at Newport, 6:30 p.m.
Hanover women at Anderson, 7 p.m.
Carroll Co. boys at Holmes, 7:30 p.m.
Hanover men host Anderson, 7:30 p.m.
Switzerland Co. boys at Rising Sun, 7:30 p.m.
Trimble Co. girls at Bellevue, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 14

SWIMMING

Hanover, HCAC Championships at Rose-Hulman, 6 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 15

BASKETBALL

Carroll Co. girls at Ludlow, 7:30 p.m.

SWIMMING

Hanover, HCAC Championships at Rose-Hulman, 6 p.m.
Madison, Shawe, Southwestern, Switzerland Co. boys, IHSAA Sectional at Floyd Central, 6 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 16

BASKETBALL

Hanover women host Mount St. Joseph, 7 p.m.
Hanover men at Mount St. Joseph, 7:30 p.m.
Madison boys at Columbus East, 7:30 p.m.
Southwestern boys at Austin, 7:30 p.m.
Switzerland Co. boys at Jac-Cen-Del, 7:30 p.m.
Trimble Co. girls host North Oldham, 7:30 p.m.

SWIMMING

Hanover, HCAC Championships at Rose-Hulman, 6 p.m.

WRESTLING

Switzerland Co. 144-pounder Gabe Rose, IHSAA State Finals at Evansville, 5 p.m.

WRESTLING SEMISTATE

Rose wins 2 matches to become 1st Switzerland Pacer to qualify for state finals

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Switzerland County junior Gabe Rose picked up two wins and placed fourth at the IHSAA Wrestling semistate in Evansville on Saturday.

The two wins mean that Rose earns an automatic berth to the IHSAA State Finals next week, the first wrestler in school history to achieve the feat.

Rose (24-7), wrestling at 144 pounds, picked up a win by fall in 4:21 over Floyd Central's Kaden Houser in the first round then posted an 11-3 major decision over Deacon Dressler of Gibson Southern in the quarterfinals to clinch his trip to the state finals.

Rose's run at a semistate title then ended with a 13-5 major decision loss to eventual champion Reese Courtney of Center Grove in the semifinals and he then lost 9-4 to Branson Weaver of Owen Valley in the third-place match.

Three other local wrestlers won their first match but fell in the quarterfinals to end their seasons.

Previously unbeaten Switzerland County sophomore Peyton Richards (43-1) saw his stellar season end in the semistate for the second-straight year. Wrestling at 126 pounds, Richards, pinned Reitz's Peyton Pfettscher in just 28 seconds in the opener but then lost by a 15-0 technical fall to Avon's Luke Rioux in the quarterfinals.

Madison freshman Ethan Pittman (23-5) won his first match at 113 pounds on a 6-4 decision over Caleb Patterson of Jasper in the opener but then suffered a 23-7 technical fall to Avon's Nathan Rioux in the quarterfinals.

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Photos by David Campbell

Above left: Madison's Gunnar Jones (right) defends Greensburg's Addison Barnes-Pettit. **Above right:** Madison's Quincy Reynolds (12) fires a 3-pointer during the Cubs' game at Greensburg on Thursday. Reynolds hit four 3-pointers and scored 16 points in the Madison loss.

Madison battles Greensburg before falling late

BY DAVID CAMPBELL

GREENSBURG — A rough third quarter ruined arguably Madison's best game of the season in 57-53 boys basketball bloss at Greensburg on Thursday.

The Cubs committed nine turnovers and were outscored 13-5 in a disastrous third quarter that saw them facing an 11-point deficit heading to the fourth. Madison recovered and outscored the Pirates by four in the fourth but came up short.

It was another tantalizingly close loss to an opponent with double-digit wins, but it reaffirmed to Madison coach Adam Stotts that his team is heading in the right direction.

"I thought that last group out there in the fourth quarter worked their butts off," Stotts said. "That's a really good basketball club (Greensburg) and they're not gonna beat themselves but we did manage to turn them over which I thought was good. But we got outscored by about 18 in the second and third and I think that was the main difference in the game."

Madison (6-14) came rocking out of the gates, hitting five 3-pointers in the first quarter and leading 19-8 early in the second before Greensburg recovered. The Pirates closed the second on a 22-10 run to take a one-point lead (30-29) at the break on a shot at the buzzer.

Stotts had hoped the Cubs would continue that momentum coming out of the locker room but instead Madison posted a sloppy eight-minute stretch and made nine of the Cubs' 13 total turnovers in the game. Greensburg used those mistakes to blitz out to a double-digit lead.

"We played our absolute butts off going into into the second quarter and I thought going into the half it was an even-game situation," Stotts said. "We told them that our goal in the second half was to take care of the ball and we came out and had nine turnovers in the third quarter. Some of them were just us not moving our feet. It's a little frustrating whenever nobody's really in our grill."

Despite the mistakes, Madison nearly came back. Quincy Reynolds drilled a 3-pointer — his sixth of the game — to pull the Cubs to within two (53-51) with 1:14 to play and after the sides traded points, Mason Davis hit a pair of free throws with 10 seconds to go to once again close the gap to two. But Greensburg's Addison Barnes-Pettit iced the win with two free throws on the other end.

Madison shot 50% from the floor and was almost as good from 3-point range, hitting 11-of-23 on the night with Reynolds going 6-of-9. But it was free throws where Greensburg won the game, hitting 16-of-19 compared to 6-of-10 for Madison.

Reynolds scored 22 points and dished out three assists to lead Madison while Landon True hit two 3-pointers en route to 13 points and Davis added 11 points.

Barnes-Pettit scored 18 points, Drew Busick had 12 and Bradley Lutz 10 for Greensburg (14-6).

On Friday, Madison suffered a 63-40 loss at home to Mount Vernon (Fortville). The game was a late addition to the Cubs' schedule after Carroll County was forced to back out in order to make up a district seed game.

Madison hung tough with Mount Vernon early. After trailing 15-5 at the end of the first quarter, the Cubs pulled to within 26-19 at halftime. The Marauders (13-8) then pulled away in the second half for the win.

Reynolds again led Madison, this time scoring 20 points and was the only Cub in double figures. Oscar Gonzalez had eight points and Damon Harden and Ryder Jones each scored five.

Madison faces a pair of road games this weekend, traveling to Columbus East on Friday and to Trinity Lutheran on Saturday.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Craig pours in 37 points to lead Switzerland to victory over Shawe

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Cam Craig scored 37 points and Switzerland County pulled away in the second half to beat Shawe boys basketball 62-39 on Friday in Madison.

Craig poured in 15 points in the first quarter but Switzerland had trouble shaking the pesky Hilltoppers, leading only 26-21 at halftime. Shawe was still within single digits heading to the fourth quarter when the Pacers ripped off a 21-6 run to put the game away.

Craig was 14-of-19 from the floor overall, including 4-of-5 on 3-pointers, and hit all five of his free throws. He also had 16 rebounds to complete an impressive double-double.

Shawe's Philip Kahn also posted a strong game, scoring 22 points to lead the Hilltoppers and adding five rebounds.

Craig then exploded for 40 points on Saturday as Switzerland defeated Austin 78-71. Kadyn Riley scored 18 points for the Pacers and Canaan Johnson added 11.

Shawe, now 8-12 overall and 1-4 in the Ohio River Valley Conference, hosts Carroll County on Saturday.

Switzerland, now 10-7 overall and 2-2 ORVC, travels to Rising Sun on Tuesday and to Jac-Cen-Del on Friday.

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Switzerland County's Cam Craig (33) shoots over Shawe's Philip Kahn (35) and Sam Fewell (11) during Friday's boys basketball game in Madison.

TRIMBLE BOYS WIN 2

Trimble County's boys claimed a pair of wins in North Central Kentucky Conference play late last week.

On Thursday, the Raiders defeated Eminence 46-38 on the road. Brayden Wilson had 15 points to lead Trimble while Ethan Keller scored 12 and Hayden Webster had 10.

On Saturday, Trimble knocked off Williamstown 61-60 at home. Ethan Horn had 25 points to lead the way, Webster scored 10 and Keller and Briar Rucker each added eight.

Trimble, now 5-20 overall, halted a 13-game losing streak with the wins. The Raiders improved to 2-8 in 31st District play and 2-6 in the NCKC. Trimble hosted Beechwood on Monday and heads to Valley on Saturday.

}TRIMBLE GIRLS SPLIT PAIR

Trimble County girls basketball split two NCKC games late last week.

On Thursday, the Raiders dropped a close 48-44 loss at Walton-Verona. Jolie Wilcoxson had 16 points to lead Trimble while Payton Butters scored 12.

On Friday, Trimble beat up on Eminence 60-39. Addison Edmondson scored 26 points to lead the way and Wilcoxson had 16.

Trimble, now 13-10 overall, 7-3 in 31st district play and 5-3 in the NCKC, travels to Bellevue on Tuesday and hosts North Oldham on Friday.

CARROLL BOYS SPLIT 2

Carroll County boys basketball split a pair of games over the weekend.

On Friday, Carroll defeated Henry County 68-65. On Saturday, the Panthers fell 62-53 at Augusta.

Carroll, now 9-14 overall, 5-5 in the 31st District and 4-3 in the NCKC, travels to Holmes on Tuesday and heads to Shawe on Saturday.

CARROLL GIRLS BEAT HENRY

Carroll County girls basketball scored a 45-38 win at Henry County on Friday.

Carroll, now 8-16 overall, 3-7 in 31st District play and 3-3 in the NCKC, traveled to Walton-Verona on Monday and travels to Newport on Tuesday. The Panthers then play Ludlow on Thursday.

Edey's double-double lifts No. 2 Purdue past IU 79-59

BY MICHAEL MAROT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WEST LAFAYETTE — Purdue center Zach Edey wanted to leave Indiana with a lingering impression Saturday.

Naturally, he delivered.

The reigning national player of the year had 26 points, 13 rebounds, four assists, two blocks and the first 3-pointer of his career while leading No. 2 Purdue to a 79-59 victory over archrival Indiana.

"I'm the best shooter in the country," he joked when asked about the 3. "It was big. We owed them after last year. Me and the seniors all really felt that this was our last time to come out with that fire and that's what we did."

The 7-foot-4 Edey dominated the middle again and he had plenty of help as the Boilermakers (22-2, 11-2 Big Ten) won their eighth straight. Braden Smith had 19 points and nine rebounds, and Mason Gillis made three 3s to finish with nine points.

It marked the first time since 1993-94 that Purdue beat Indiana twice in the same season by 20 or more points.

CJ Gunn had a career-best 13 points for the Hoosiers (14-10, 6-7). Kel'El Ware added 11 points and eight rebounds, and Trey Galloway finished with 10 points and seven assists.

It was a familiar script for Purdue — and Indiana coach Mike Woodson.

Indiana led for the first 6 ½ minutes and still was within 20-18 a little more than midway through the first half. But the Hoosiers missed 10 of their next 11 shots and Purdue again closed the first half with a strong finishing kick. That 15-1 spurt helped the Boilermakers take a 37-25 halftime lead.

"This was a tough game because you're on the road, playing the No. 2 team in the country in a hostile environment," Woodson said. "I thought we played well early but from the 10-minute mark going into halftime, we couldn't score and just threw the ball away a couple times."

Unlike last month's game, though, Indiana never charged back. Instead, the Boilermakers opened the second half with 10 straight points. Indiana never challenged again. And Edey sealed it with his 3-point bank shot.

"Do I have the ball, like the game ball?" Edey said when asked again about the long-range shot. "I'm going to go look for it."

UP NEXT

Indiana hosts Northwestern on Sunday (TV: Live on FS1 at 3 p.m.).

Purdue hosts Minnesota on Thursday (TV: Live on BTN at 8:30 p.m.).

Gonzaga hands No. 17 Kentucky its 3rd consecutive home defeat

BY GARY B. GRAVES
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Gonzaga felt the energy and history of Rupp Arena, then crafted a milestone that No. 17 Kentucky didn't want.

Anton Watson scored 17 points, including a go-ahead three-point play with 3:49 remaining before adding two key layups in the final 91 seconds, Ben Gregg and Nolan Hickman sank key late free throws and Gonzaga survived a second-half rally to beat the Wildcats 89-85 on Saturday.

The Wildcats (16-7) have now lost three straight at Rupp Arena for the first time since it opened in 1976. Kentucky hadn't lost three in a row at home since the 1966-67 season when it played at Memorial Coliseum.

"When you walk into this building and it's been packed like it has been for three games, we just normally come out on fire and we haven't," Kentucky coach John Calipari said.

Meanwhile, Gonzaga left its first trip to Lexington with a lot to savor.

The Bulldogs (18-6) outperformed Kentucky in most every phase to lead 42-32 at halftime before the Wildcats stormed back ahead to force a back-and-forth contest. Reed Sheppard's three-point play with 4:07 left tied the game at 75, but Watson provided the go-ahead layup and ensuing free throw to put Gonzaga ahead for good, 78-75.

COURIERAREA SPORTS SHORTS

BY THE COURIER STAFF

• Southwestern eighth grader Andrew Nussbaum won the NBA All-Star Game Knockout contest at Southwestern on Friday.

With the win, Nussbaum received two tickets to the NBA All-Star Crossover event in Indianapolis this weekend and will also get a chance to compete in the Ultimate Knockout Competition against winners from the 91 other counties in Indiana.

• Switzerland County defeated Shawe 46-38 in junior varsity boys basketball on Friday.

Isaac Williams had 13 points and Corbin Craig scored 10 for Switzerland.

Nate Fewell had 13 points and Gus Grote eight for Shawe.

Switzerland travels to Jac-Cen-Del on Friday and Shawe hosts Carroll County on Saturday.

• Madison junior varsity boys basketball defeated Greensburg 43-34 on Thursday.

Gabe Fife had 16 points to lead the Cubs.

Madison, now 7-10 on the season, travels to Columbus East on Friday.

• Southwestern rolled to a 61-32 win over Rising Sun in junior varsity boys basketball on Friday.

Caleb Goode and Kaedon Higgins scored 16 points each for the Rebels.

Southwestern travels to Austin on Friday.

• Shawe junior varsity boys basketball defeated Christian Academy of Madison 40-32 at home on Thursday.

Loren Stiver scored 18 points to lead the Hilltoppers while Tate Wieczorek had nine points and Cavaan Hambrick had seven.

Shawe hosts Carroll County on Saturday.

• Switzerland County defeated St. Lawrence 38-15 in eighth grade girls basketball on Wednesday.

Ashlyn Jesop had 16 points to lead the Pacers while Madison Spilman had 10 points and five steals.

• Shawe knocked off Milan 30-23 in a combined junior high girls basketball game on Wednesday.

Brylee Liter scored 12 points for the Hilltoppers and Robbi Alderman had 10.

• Applications for the 2024 Hanover Parks Department baseball and softball leagues are now being accepted.

Leagues for kids ages three through 12 are available. Cost is $30 with a second child family discount of $25 and the third child $20. Deadline is March 27 and all applications received by that date are guaranteed a roster spot.

HANOVER ROUNDUP

Panther women blast Defiance to clinch home playoff contest

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Hanover women's basketball dominated Saturday's Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference game from the opening jump to blast Defiance 86-31 on the road.

The Panthers led 18-4 after the first quarter then added 33 points in the second to take a 51-15 lead at the half. It didn't get any better for the winless Yellow Jackets (0-23, 0-16 HCAC) in the second half as Hanover outscored the hosts by 19 the rest of the way.

Twelve different players scored in the game for Hanover with Kady Clancy's 14 points, five rebounds and four assists leading the way. Lily Ernstes had 13 points and five rebounds and Sammy Berman added 10 points.

Hanover (16-7, 14-2 HCAC) will be either the No. 2 or No. 3 seed in the conference tourney next week. The Panthers, currently second in the conference behind unbeaten Transylvania, travel to Anderson on Tuesday then host third-place Mount St. Joseph on Friday.

MEN HAMMER DEFIANCE

Hanover men's basketball hammered Defiance 85-58 on Saturday for their third-straight win.

The Panthers led only 33-28 at the half but outscored the Yellow Jackets 52-30 in the second half to run away for the win.

Six different players reached double figures in scoring for Hanover, led by Max Greenamoyer and Michael Donoho who had 14 points each. Coleman Sater scored 13 points, Ty Houston had 12 points and eight rebounds, William Herald scored 11 points and Cam Freeman had 10.

Hanover (15-8, 11-5 HCAC) currently sits in third place in the HCAC standings with two games to play. The Panthers host Anderson on Tuesday and travel to Mount St. Joseph on Friday.

SORENSEN SETS SCHOOL RECORD

Hanover's Amberleigh Sorensen set a new school record in the women's 800-meter run while claiming first at the DePauw Indoor Track & Field Invitational on Saturday.

Sorensen, a senior from Yorktown, won the 800 in 2:19.88 to set a school record. The Panthers' Nina Jazdzewski also claimed victory, winning the women's pole vault at 3.05 meters on tiebreakers.

Madison's Aliza Boles, a sophomore at Hanover, placed third in the women's pole vault, also at 3.05 meters.

Hanover's Collin Durbin won the men's 600-meter run in 1:38.05, Sean Woods won the men's pole vault at 4.10 meters and the men's distance medley team of R.J. Thralls, Owen Rogers, Charlie Stuelpe and Conner Watson won in 11:36.64.

Other top finishes for the Hanover women were: Hanna Whitney, Emma Litzleman, Elyse Wilson and Adair Dooley, second, distance medley, 14:09.38; Litzelman, third, 800 run, 2:32.91; Paige Wildman, third, 1-mile run, 5:29.51 and fourth, 800 run, 2:32.94; Kennadi Lakins, fifth, long jump, 4.65m; Lili Seals, fifth, triple jump, 9.44m; and Jazdzewski, Gracie Henson, Gabby Parrish and Kaelyn King, fifth, 800 relay, 1:58.21.

Other top finishes for the Hanover men were: Nick Perry, second, 600 run, 1:53.23; Ethan Weston, third, 1-mile run, 4:30.21; Anthony Lloyd, Erik Perkins, Jayden Enderle and Layden Adair, third, 800 relay, 1:33.39; Perkins, Lloyd, Gaven Followell and Woods, third, 1600 relay, 3:40.69; Grady Shay, fourth, 60 hurdles, 8.90; Alex Bower, fifth, high jump, 1.78m; and Alex Galanti, Nate Doty, Woods and Andrew Goedde, fifth, 800 relay, 1:37.91.

Madison's Chloe Ferris, now a junior at Manchester, placed 11th in the women's 800 run in 2:48.47 and 12th in the 1-mile run in 6:07.57. Switzerland County's Nathan Furnish, a freshman at Franklin, was 13th in the 1-mile run in 4:46.46 and 14th in the men's 800 run in 1:13.81.

Hanover's women placed third with 77 points and the men were fourth with 75.5.

Hanover competes at Mount St. Joseph on Saturday.

MEN'S LACROSSE OPENS WITH LOSS

Hanover men's lacrosse opened the 2024 season with a 23-7 loss at Muskingum on Saturday.

Owen Parker scored four goals and had an assist for Hanover while Nick Adams, Colin O'Brien and Cole Finley scored one goal each. Jackson McKeigue had 10 saves in goal for the Panthers.

Hanover, now 0-1 on the season, hosts Wilmington on Saturday.

WOMEN'S LACROSSE FALLS IN OPENER

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Taylor McNally-Henrikson scored both of Hanover's goals. Marissa Bardo posted five saves in goal.

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Holmes sets IU career scoring mark as No. 14 Hoosiers top Purdue 95-62

BLOOMINGTON — Chloe Moore-McNeil scored 12 of her career-high 22 points in a game-changing third quarter, Mackenize Holmes became Indiana's all-time leading scorer and the 14th-ranked Indiana went on to defeat Purdue 95-62 on Sunday.

Moore-McNeil's 3-pointer capped an 11-0 run that gave the Hoosiers' a 55-34 four minutes into the second half. She also had 3-pointers on Indiana's next two possessions and then converted a three-point play, finishing the quarter 4 for 4 with her team on top 72-46.

Holmes got the limelight in the fourth quarter, her layup midway through giving her 2,365 points, one more than Tyra Buss (2014-18). Holmes left the game to a standing ovation at the next dead ball.

The game between in-state rivals drew 13,304 fans, the third-largest women's crowd ever at Assembly Hall.

Sara Scalia had 19 points for the Hoosiers (20-3, 11-2 Big Ten Conference) on bobblehead giveaway for coach Teri Moren. Holmes finished with 17 points and Lexus Bargesser had 12 with nine rebounds.

Moore-McNeil, fresh off becoming the second Hoosier with a triple-double, had five rebounds and five assists. She was 5-for-5 shooting from distance as Indiana went 13 of 21 (62%) on 3s and shot 59% over (36 of 61).

Mary Ashley Stevenson scored 16 points for the Boilermakers (10-13, 3-9). Caitlyn Harper added 13 points and Sophie Swanson had 11. Purdue was 5 of 13 on 3s and shot 45% overall.

Indiana had a combined 25 points off turnovers and on second-chance opportunities while the Boilermakers had no points.

Purdue never led but a Stevenson 3 tied the game at seven and the Boilermakers only trailed 18-14 after one quarter. Indiana stretched the lead to 41-30 at the half.

Indiana is at Wisconsin on Wednesday when Purdue goes to Northwestern

Iowa's Clark 8 points shy of scoring record following 31 in loss to Nebraska

BY ERIC OLSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LINCOLN, Neb. — Caitlin Clark's pursuit of the NCAA women's career scoring record will continue for at least four more days after her 31-point performance in No. 2 Iowa's 82-79 loss to Nebraska on Sunday.

The generational talent who has brought unprecedented attention to women's basketball came into the game 39 points from passing Kelsey Plum's total of 3,527 for Washington from 2013-17.

Clark went scoreless the last 12 ½ minutes against Nebraska and now needs eight points to break the record. She likely will do it Thursday night in Iowa City against Michigan.

"It's not at the front of my mind right now," Clark said. "Really just getting better and getting back home and playing in front of our fans and executing the way we know we can execute is very important for this team. We'll have two practices to get ready for that. Yeah, obviously it will be special. The biggest focus right now is just finding ways to grow and get better."

Plum, who is with Team USA playing in an Olympic qualifying tournament in Belgium, offered premature congratulations to Clark on X, formerly known as Twitter. Plum corrected herself within minutes, writing "My bad next game."

Fans began lining up in sub-freezing weather six hours before tipoff to enter Pinnacle Bank Arena. Clark has never scored fewer than 30 points in nine games against Nebraska, and many came with the hope they would see her make history.

The Huskers changed up their defenses on Clark. Callin Hake, Jaz Shelley and Kendall Moriarty took turns playing her straight up. They put double-teams on her up high and went to a box-and-one on her in the second half.

Clark pulled within single digits of the record when she made two free throws following a technical foul on Nebraska late in the third quarter. She didn't score again.

Clark missed her final six shots from the field and finished 10 of 25 overall and 5 of 15 on 3-pointers.

The game had been sold out since early January, and sellers on the secondary ticket market were asking as much as $2,000 for a seat in the lower bowl late in the week.

Five preteen girls in an end zone section, each holding up a letter to spell out "CLARK," started a "Caitlin Clark!" chant 90 minutes before tipoff.

Cheers increased in volume when Clark was first spotted in the tunnel from the locker room to the court. Fans leaning on the railing reached down in hopes of getting a hand slap as she came through. Next was a standing ovation when Clark, escorted by a security guard, stepped onto the court to begin shooting drills. She shot alone for five minutes before teammates joined her.

Kim Malone of Omaha showed up at about 8:15 a.m. carrying a sign reading, "Feels like a great day to drop a 40 piece. Let her cook. GOAT 22."

"We're here early because we love Caitlin Clark and what she's done for women's basketball," Malone said. "I played Division II, my daughter plays, we love basketball. To watch all these people come, it's just amazing."

Malone said she admires the fearlessness with which Clark plays.

"She's like the closest thing to Kobe Bryant for us, and we love Kobe," she said. "Her work ethic and her pursuit to be the greatest is incredible, but then she doesn't get lost in that. She includes everybody. Her passes are incredible. She's one of a kind."

Nick Ames of Lincoln was the first person waiting to enter the arena, arriving at 6:45 a.m. He came to root for Nebraska and wore a T-shirt saying, "I'm Kevin O'Hare's Favorite Cousin." O'Hare is Clark's shooting coach.

"I'm here to heckle today because I do not want her to get that record and just thought the shirt and bringing up him would be something to get in her mind a little bit," said Ames, adding that his mission was to get as close to the court as he could so she would see the shirt. "I'm a Husker fan. She can get it at home if she wants it."

After Clark breaks the NCAA record, her next target will be the all-time major women's college scoring record of 3,649 by Kansas' Lynette Woodard from 1977-81. During Woodard's era, women's sports were governed by the Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women.

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Reds avoid arbitration by reaching deal with India

CINCINNATI — Second baseman Jonathan India and the Cincinnati Reds agreed Friday to an $8.8 million, two-year contract, avoiding an arbitration hearing next week for the 2021 NL Rookie of the Year.

India gets $3.8 million this year and $5 million in 2025. The deal contains $2.05 million in additional escalators plus award bonuses.

India's 2025 salary can increase $400,000 each based on plate appearances or games started in 2024, for 400 plate appearances or 98 games, 450 or 111, 500 or 124 and 550 or 137. His salary would increase by $450,000 for 600 or 150.

He can earn a single $100,000 bonus in each season for either making the All-Star team, becoming a Silver Slugger finalist or finishing among the top five in MVP voting.

Selected fifth overall by Cincinnati in the 2018 amateur draft, India has hit .255 with 48 homers, 171 RBIs and an on-base percentage of .350 in three major league seasons.

Along with India, the Reds will have to find playing time for young players Elly De La Cruz, Matt McLain, Spencer Steer, Christian Encarnacion-Strand and Noelvi Marte. In addition, infielder Jeimer Candelario signed as a free agent.

Peppers headlines Pro Football HOF class

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LAS VEGAS — The Pro Football Hall of Fame now has a roster featuring every NFL franchise.

Julius Peppers became the first player drafted by Carolina to make it to the Hall and Andre Johnson became the first for Houston as part of the 2024 class announced Thursday night at NFL Honors.

The Panthers and Texans had been the last two franchises who hadn't had a player they drafted get voted into the Hall.

"Any time you can be the first player to do something, it's an amazing feeling," Johnson said. "It just adds more to your legacy. You'll always be remembered."

The class had a distinctive defensive feel with Johnson the only offensive player to make it. Peppers was joined by another elite pass rusher in Dwight Freeney and do-everything linebacker Patrick Willis in the modern era category.

Dynamic returner Devin Hester also got voted into the Hall from the group of 15 finalists as the first player to get in primarily as a returner.

"I'm just happy to show people special teams does matter," Hester said. "That's my No. 1 pride to get into the Hall of Fame. Now you can't overlook special teams."

Two more defensive players got in on the senior category, with linebacker Randy Gradishar and defensive tackle Steve McMichael getting the needed 80% support from the panel.

"I love defense obviously," Freeney said. "We understand the game. I know how the game is sold. I understand the other side of it. But I will take a defensive player all day."

Former AFL receiver Art Powell and coach Buddy Parker fell short of the threshold and missed out.

Peppers was one of the league's most dominant linemen after being picked second overall by Carolina in 2002 and got the honor in his first year of eligibility.

"It's a surreal moment," he said. "It's kind of still unbelievable."

Peppers had 12 sacks as a rookie and never really slowed down in a 17-year career that included stops in Chicago and Green Bay before ending with the Panthers. He was an All-Pro in 2004, 2006 and 2010.

Peppers finished his career with 159 ½ sacks — the fourth most since they became official in 1982 — and had 10 seasons with double-digit sacks. Only Hall of Famers Bruce Smith (13) and Reggie White (12) had more.

Willis' career was brief but impactful.

A first-round pick by San Francisco in 2007, Willis immediately became a star with 174 tackles, four sacks, seven QB hits and eight tackles for loss on the way to winning the Defensive Rookie of the Year award.

He was a first-team All-Pro five times in eight seasons and helped San Francisco reach three straight conference title games and one Super Bowl.

Freeney was the defensive star on the stellar Colts teams led by Hall of Fame quarterback Peyton Manning. Indianapolis hadn't won a playoff game in Manning's first four seasons before Freeney arrived but won nine in his first nine seasons, including Super Bowl 41 and another AFC title game in the 2009 season.

Known best for his devastating spin move, Freeney was a first-team All-Pro three times, led the NFL with 16 sacks in 2004 and finished his career with 125½ sacks and 47 forced fumbles.

Hester was one of the most feared players in the game despite his small stature at 5-foot-11, 190 pounds. While he played both receiver and cornerback, he excelled as a returner for Chicago.

He scored six TDs on returns in each of his first two regular seasons, including a 108-yarder following a missed field goal as a rookie in 2006 when he helped the Bears make the Super Bowl.

He then took the opening kick in that game against Indianapolis back 92 yards for a touchdown for the only opening kick TD return in Super Bowl history.

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Johnson became the first player to spend the bulk of his career with the Texans to make the Hall of Fame.

A first-round pick in Houston's second season in 2003, Johnson led the league in receiving yards twice, was a two-time All-Pro and had seven 1,000-yard seasons despite spending most of his career without an elite quarterback.

Gradishar was a key part of Denver's "Orange Crush" defense in the 1970s, making the Pro Bowl seven times in 10 seasons, being selected as an All-Pro in 1977 and '78 and winning Defensive Player of the Year in 1978.

A tackling machine at the interior of the line backer, Gradishar also intercepted 20 passes and recovered 13 fumbles in a 10-year career and never missed a single game. He was a modern era finalist for the Hall in 2003 and '08 but didn't get elected.

While the Broncos fell one game short of winning it all in 1977 when they allowed only 10.6 points per game, McMichael was part of an even more dominant defense that won the Super Bowl in the 1985 season.

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McMichael had 95 career sacks as a defensive tackle, was selected as an All-Pro in 1985 and '87 and was a second-teamer two other times.

The other finalists from the modern era category who didn't advance to the final five were tight end Antonio Gates; receivers Torry Holt and Reggie Wayne; offensive linemen Willie Anderson and Jahri Evans; defensive backs Darren Woodson, Eric Allen and Rodney Harrison; running back Fred Taylor and defensive end Jared Allen.

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9 WCPO	23		News	World..	News	Extra	The Bachelor (N)				The Rookie		News
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AMC	29	26	(5:00) ★★★★ Knives Out ('19)				★★★★ Cast Away Helen Hunt, Tom Hanks.						Movie
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DISN	25	29	Hamst..	Hamst..	Big City	Big City	★ Descendants 2 ('17)				Ladyb..	Ladyb..	Villains
ESPN	32	44	SportsCenter		College Basketball				Basketball Ole Miss at Kentucky				Sports..
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FX	40	28	(5:30) ★★★ Ghostbusters: Afterlife				★★★ Transformers: The Last Knight ('17) Mark Wahlberg.						
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NEWSNTN	20	20	The Hill (N)		On Balance (N)		Cuomo (N)		Dan Abrams		Banfield (N)		Cuomo
PARMT	35	41	TwoM..	TwoM..	TwoM..	TwoM..	★★★ Shooter ('07) Michael Peña, Mark Wahlberg.						Movie
SHOW	221	16	(:15) ★★★ Golda ('23)				The Woman		★ Freedom's Path ('22)				Movie
TMC	233	74	(:10) ★ Fade to Black ('06)				★★★ Need for Speed ('14)				(:15) ★ Michael Clayton		
TNT	27	43	(4:00) ★ Martian		Tip-Off		NBA Basketball				NBA Basketball		
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11 WHAS	11	4	News	World..	ET (N)	Inside..	Conners	NotDe..	Abbott	Celebr..	Judge (N)		News
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19 WXIX	10		FOX19	FOX19	Wheel	Jeopar..	I Can See (N)		We-Family (N)		FOX19 (N)		FOX19
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1 Bit of advice
4 No longer 8-Across
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15 Reverse
16 Key related to C major
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18 Noblewoman's title
19 Actively resist
20 Gooey sandwich
23 Extend the date on
24 As well
25 Kindle or Nook, e.g.
27 WWW address
29 __-relief (sculpture variety)
30 Gold, in Guayaquil
33 South American street food
36 Latin dance enthusiast's hangout
39 Marisa of "The Big Short"
40 United
41 Alarm clock part, often
42 Bridesmaid or groomsman, say
44 "Goodnight" girl
45 Talk smack about
46 Distant
47 Fish eggs
48 Pickup artist's lines
51 Tiny tastes
55 Small hand drum
58 Expels
60 Threw hard
62 Nile serpents
63 Mockingly funny
64 Relaxed and calm
65 Winemaking sediment
66 Way of speaking in "CODA"
67 Raises a glass to
68 Sports team
69 Formerly known as

DOWN
1 Buccaneers' city
2 Absolutely perfect
3 Trousers
4 "__ noted!"
5 Glossy coating
6 Venomous snake
7 Creator of Holmes and Watson
8 Language related to Thai
9 Concert organizer
10 Old Dodge sports car
11 Part of, as a plot
12 Organ that knows odors
13 Got bigger
21 "Rug" on the head
22 Computer with a touch screen
26 Prosecutors: Abbr.
28 Amazon biome
30 Shoppe adjective
31 Bring to destruction
32 Woodwind that orchestras tune to
33 Not much at all
34 Naan relative
35 Some first responders, for short
36 Flew high
37 __ Taylor (clothing chain)
38 Loving touch
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47 Answered an invitation
48 Brown beverages
49 Spoken exams
50 U.S.-born person of Japanese descent
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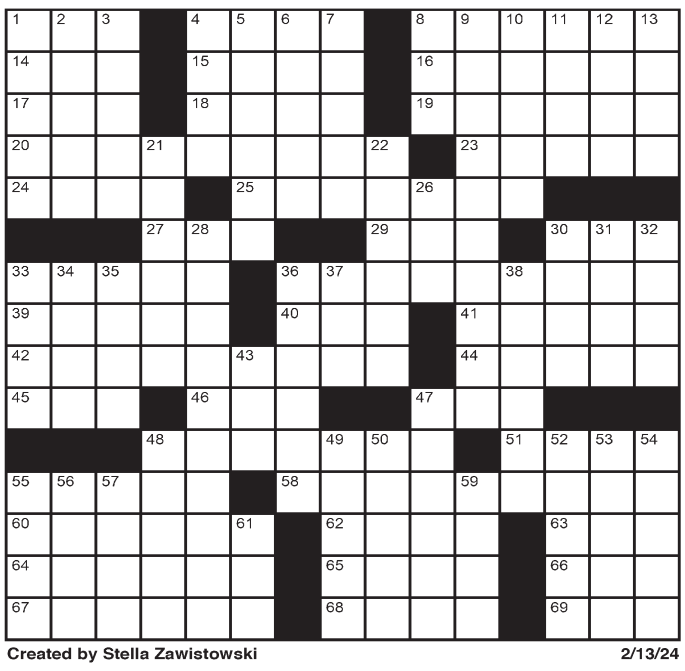

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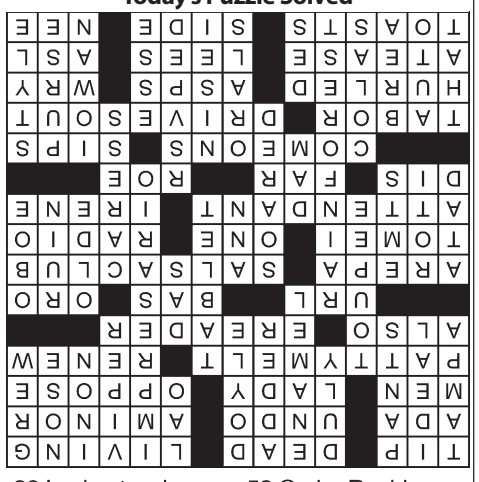

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13 "Now" in Spanish
14 Woodcutter's tool
15 "No exaggeration!"
16 Shape of a top lip
18 Get the suds out of
19 Look into
20 Worked at a dairy
21 Free of moisture
22 Unimprovable
24 Silly and stupid
27 Included on an email
28 Woodcutter's tools
32 Sorceress spurned by Jason
33 Song rights org.
35 Flying mammal
36 Unit of resistance
37 Sticky black goo
39 Bitter beer
40 Ms. Gardner
41 Public sch. in New England
42 "Don't hesitate!"
44 Valuable skill
46 Ballerina's skirt
48 Rick of radio
49 Backyard buildings
50 Blab, as gossip
52 "Take On Me" band
53 Forcefully state
56 Out of the ordinary
61 Stop
62 Notebooks for people in pools
63 Delight in
64 Hot brewed drink
65 In need of a nap
66 Staircase parts
67 Inquire
68 Connery who played James Bond

DOWN
1 "Hollow Man" actress Elisabeth
2 Make do
3 Theseus' savior
4 Halitosis, familiarly
5 "Forbidden" fragrance brand
6 Rarely seen plants, for example
7 Morning moisture
8 Courtyards
9 Parts of sports practices
10 Showy basketball move
11 Otherwise
12 Like purple hair
13 Summer coolers, for short
17 __ sauce
20 Olympian's prize
23 Rots
24 "See you later!"
25 India's first Prime Minister
26 Let on or let in
27 Library cubicle
29 Humiliate
30 Said hi wordlessly
31 Baseball card info
34 Delicate salad greens
38 Review of the books
43 Tells, as a tale
45 Permanent marker brand
47 Depletes
51 Gets ready, for short
52 __ Arbor, Michigan
53 Valuable cards in blackjack
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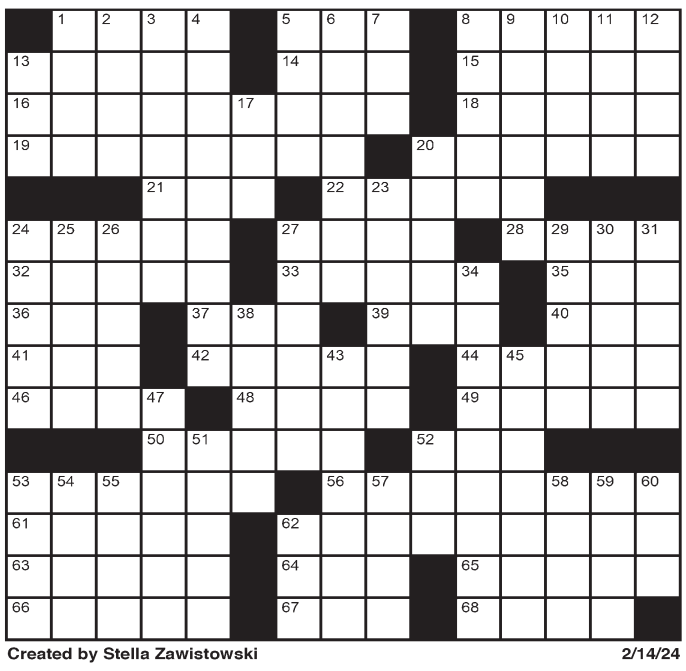
59 Arabian gulf port
60 Drug in "Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas"
62 RR stop



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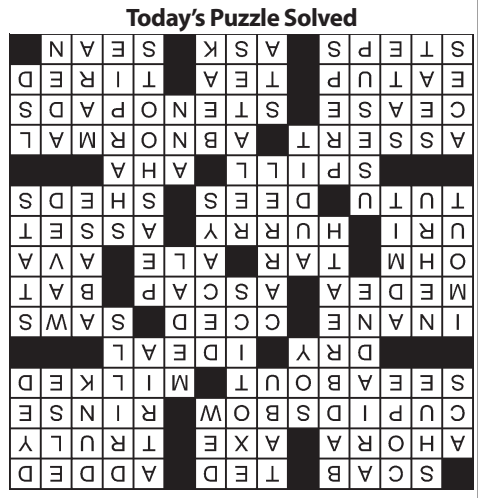

Daughter with bad news won't be Debbie Downer

AMY **DICKINSON** ASK AMY

Dear Amy: My father is on the far side of a debilitating and eventually terminal neurological disorder. He's not able to dress himself anymore, his language is mostly gone and it's generally sad and depressing all around. My mother is his full-time caregiver, and my siblings and I all live in different states.

I am often asked by friends, extended family, coworkers etc., "How's your dad doing?" or "How are your parents?" especially after I return from a visit home.

After years of trying to spin things more positively than truthfully, I've been defaulting lately to, "Not good" or "He's worse; he'll never be better."

These responses typically make people grimace or apologize. I certainly don't intend to bring on this response.

My question to you: Is there a better way to answer this question honestly without being a real Debbie Downer?

The people asking already know about his condition, so they aren't expecting sunshine and rainbows, but I know that just because I've fully accepted how bad things are doesn't mean other people want an honest answer from me.

Follow up question: When people apologize regarding his condition, how am I supposed to respond? I usually shrug and say that I'm at peace with the situation, but again, this seems needlessly awkward and often makes me feel (and probably appear) callous.

— Depressing (but not depressed!) Daughter

Dear Daughter: I'm so sorry you are going through this.

Do you perceive that statement as an apology? Because it is not. In this context, "I'm sorry" is an expression of commiseration and empathy. Your friends are saying "I'm sorry this is happening." Because they are.

(Occasionally, people delivering tough personal news respond to an "I'm sorry" response by saying, "Why? It's not your fault," and this is a dismissive response to a person who is trying to be kind.)

Does telling the truth about your father's condition make you a "Debbie Downer"? No.

"Woe is me, I don't deserve this, every visit home is a depressing nightmare for me, and nobody is stepping up to help" is how Debbie would spin her tale.

You suppose that your local friends and extended family members "don't want" an honest answer to their polite queries, but I think they do want your honesty, even if the unvarnished truth makes them feel inadequate in the moment. You can encourage further communication (if that's what you want), not by shrugging, but by saying, "Thank you so much for always asking about my folks. I really appreciate it, even when the news isn't good."

Extended family vacations prove stressful

AMY **DICKINSON** ASK AMY

Dear Amy: My husband's entire extended family enjoys going on vacations together. While these family members are amazing, these vacations are very stressful for me. From trying to figure out what to pack, getting to the airport, checking in, the actual flight, collecting bags etc., the entire process is an anxious one for me.

Then, while we are at our destination, I feel like I completely disappear as far as my husband is concerned. He is there to spend time with his family, not with me.

He enjoys the company of our adult children but barely even speaks to me. These are the only vacations we go on.

In our more than 30 years of marriage, we've only been on two trips on our own, and one of these was with our children when they were young.

He seems to recognize that I am stressed out but never offers any understanding or comfort. His attitude feels more like, "I guess it sucks to be you." I have decided to pass on the upcoming trip. I feel like I am somehow in the wrong, and maybe it does suck to be me. Any thoughts?

— Non-traveler

Dear Non-traveler: I agree that right now it does suck to be you.

Fortunately, you have the power to suck the suck out of your situation.

This de-sucking process is completely up to you, but it does require that you make a series of choices, as well as exercising options.

Travel anxiety is fairly common. You can learn strategies to cope with your rumination through deep breathing, re-focusing your thoughts by connecting with your senses (research the "3-3-3" technique) and by seeing a professional therapist to consider treatment for your anxiety.

While on these trips, you could choose to connect with these "amazing" family members and decide to dive into your own excursions or activities with them — essentially taking a vacation from your husband's disregard.

And yes, at this point, I agree with your choice not to go on this trip (which is a vacation for your husband but not for you).

While home, you should map out some ways to make your "staycation" memorable and enjoyable. Try a new thing! Learn to play pickleball, poker or (if you don't already work outside the home) research volunteer positions or part-time jobs.

And if at some point you do want to go on a vacation with your husband, despite his attitude and disregard toward you, you should plan a getaway for the two of you — and see how he responds.

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ASTROLOGY

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — New conditions and remarkable people may be exactly what you need. Picking up the tab when out with your friends isn't the only way you can impress. Take a chance and grab the spotlight. It may be yours if you want it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — The sky could truly be the limit. Any foresight is likely accentuated, so think fast and look ahead. When it seems anything is possible, go with your gut and set plans in motion that create valuable improvements.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Enthusiasm is a definite plus when you meet someone new. People will notice when you are intelligent and thoughtful, and the friendships that develop now are likely to be based on mutual interests that last.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Even the smartest person sometimes needs advice, and you're lucky if you have a reliable sounding board. A partner or loved one may have the knowledge, expertise, and connections to help you make a wise decision.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Pluck someone's heartstrings with a sweet and warm offering, it may be the right time to grow closer with a friend or romantic partner. Your understanding, empathy, and other attractive qualities can shine brightly.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Peace and harmony may be on the upswing. Capitalize on this mood by making amends or offering apologies, if necessary. Any lingering effects of a romantic rendezvous should keep you in a pleasant mood.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Some romantic dreams may come true. A mild flirtation could unleash thoughts of a permanent alliance. If you are in Cinderella cycles and are with the right person, the desire for commitment could grow stronger.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Take advantage of any opportunity to grow closer to loved ones, your team, or friends. Consider inviting someone to coffee or taking the time to start a conversation. Make your home a place of peace and contentment.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — There is no reason to sit home alone or discount an undeniable attraction if you're not committed. A casual flirtation might conceal profound feelings, so singles should be open to new love when it appears.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — This is a day when, rather than competing, it might be more to your advantage to foster and build a partnership. Put yourself in front of those who can aid your career but grow closer to loved ones at home.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Be open, optimistic, and aboveboard when discussing your plans to obtain the best results. You may have an opportunity to increase profits with long-term plans or purchase something to help you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — Look ahead to the future rather than dwelling on the past. Steer a straight course of honesty and openness no matter how tempting it can be to take a detour. You don't reach the mountaintop by taking the low road.

ASTROLOGY

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — This Valentine's Day you might not need a sentimental card or a dozen roses to understand the meaning of true love. On the other hand, you probably won't refuse a bite from a box of sweet chocolates, either.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Promise to do the job and uphold your promise. Past disagreements can evaporate when you offer a sincere apology combined with changed behavior. Collaborate and cooperate so you can share life's rewards.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — A loved one might be more loving than usual on this day designed for lovers. A friend could give you a brilliant idea about how to celebrate Valentine's Day. Express loving feelings, even to plants and fur babies.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — You may not be in it for the rewards, but when someone trusts you their confidence and support can add extra zeros to your bottom line. Consider investing in a romantic Valentine's Day treat for someone special.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Put yourself in someone else's shoes and make an effort to understand their feelings. When you know you can trust someone to do the right thing, you are more likely to be confident in their promises and assurances.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Keep yourself and your devices charged and ready for action. You might be called upon to jump in to help someone close or get a surprising message that could instantly make you understand something that seemed complicated.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — It shouldn't take much effort to warm the heart of a special someone. This Valentine's Day may be perfect for a getaway far from daily responsibilities. Fill a bag with treats and escape the world for a while.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — To make difficult tasks easier try to work in tandem with someone else. You can make important discoveries and broaden your skillset if you experiment with new techniques and try out a teamwork-based approach.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Your heart may be in the right place and you are probably ready, willing, and able to show someone how much you value their loyalty and affection. Most fires, even if they're down to coals, can be rekindled.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — It could be many things: An amazing smile, or powerful connections, which enchant a certain someone. Invite those you trust and rely upon for a visit or suggest they bring someone new into your circle.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Someone may want to share your deepest secrets, and it could be tempting to bare your soul. Before you do, be sure the person is sincere. It can be wonderful to enjoy Valentine's Day with someone who understands.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — Listen for the right chords to hear the music in someone's soul. Be receptive and understanding rather than judgmental and someone could share their romantic feelings. You may be more in tune than you thought.

Ohio State hires Kelly as OC after he resigns

BY RALPH D. RUSSO
AP COLLEGE FOOTBALL WRITER

UCLA coach Chip Kelly stepped down after six seasons leading the Bruins on Friday to become offensive coordinator for soon-to-be Big Ten rival Ohio State.

The move leaves UCLA scrambling to fill a vacancy at the top of a program preparing to join the Big Ten with spring practice about a month away from cranking up around the country.

For Ohio State, Kelly received a three-year contract to step into a role that opened up when Bill O'Brien left to become Boston College coach earlier Friday. Last month, Buckeyes coach Ryan Day hired the former Texans and Penn State coach as offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach.

"His experience as a head coach at Oregon, UCLA and in the NFL will bring immediate value to our entire team. I am really looking forward to reconnecting with Chip, introducing him to our staff and team and chasing a championship together," said Day, who played quarterback in college for Kelly when he was offensive coordinator at New Hampshire.

UCLA athletic director Martin Jarmond said he was not caught off guard when Kelly called him earlier Friday to inform him he was leaving. Kelly had interviewed for multiple NFL offensive coordinator jobs over the last two weeks.

"Timing is a challenge," Jarmond said, adding he told the team the plan was to have a new coach in place within four days.

Kelly, 60, was under contract until 2027. Jarmond said UCLA will enforce a $1.5 million buyout.

Jarmond said he met with the team to inform them of the change. He said he was not sure if Kelly met with or personally informed the players.

"This is something as an athletic director and program, you have to be ready for in case you're in a middle of a search," Jarmond said. "We were ready and we're prepared."

Kelly had a 35-34 record with the Bruins, but the program was showing signs of stagnating ahead of a move to the Big Ten from the Pac-12 next season. There was speculation late in the 2023 season UCLA might move on from Kelly, but the school stood pat after finishing 8-5.

Instead, it was Kelly who started looking for other options, finally making the unorthodox move of giving up a Power Five head coaching job to become coordinator at another Power Five school.

Kelly signed a two-year contract extension in March. He made $6.1 million this past season. He would have been due $8.5 million as part of the buyout of his contract had UCLA fired him.

Kelly is one of the godfathers of the up-tempo, spread offense that dominated college football in the early 2010s. He became Oregon's coach in 2009 and went 46-7 over four years before jumping to the NFL. He went 26-21 in a little less than three full seasons (2013-15) as the Philadelphia Eagles coach and then spent one season as coach of the San Francisco 49ers, going 2-14.

Kelly took over at UCLA after Jim Mora Jr. was fired in 2017 and had a roster predominantly filled with underclassmen his first two seasons.

It was a slow build. Kelly started with three straight losing seasons at UCLA before finally turning it around in 2021 and going 8-4. The Bruins went 25-13 over the past three seasons, but could never crack nine wins and tended to fade late in the season.

They were expected to contend for a spot in the Pac-12 championship game last season, especially since they didn't have to face Washington and Oregon. Under coordinator D'Anton Lynn, UCLA put together one of the best defensive seasons in school history as it led the nation in stopping the run. But Lynn was in Westwood for only one season before jumping to rival USC.

The offense, which was the Bruins' strength the past two seasons, struggled in 2023 due to inconsistency at quarterback. The most promising passer on the roster, five-star recruit Dante Moore, ended up transferring after the season.

The transfer portal will open again for UCLA players for 30 days following Kelly's departure, but with the timing of the opening both the school and the players could be faced with limited options.

All this comes with UCLA preparing for the Big Ten. The Bruins, along with rival USC, Oregon and Washington, join the conference this summer, and face an uptick in competition next football season. UCLA does not play Ohio State in 2024.

"We're looking for a leader, permanently for our program," Jarmond said. "I told the team to give us 96 hours. Could be earlier, could be later. But we're going to move fast. That's the priority."

Canada routs US 6-1, sweeps final 4 games to claim series

BY PATRICK DONNELLY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Natalie Spooner and Emma Maltais each scored twice, Ann-Renée Desbiens made 24 saves and Canada routed the United States hockey 6-1 on Sunday in the decisive seventh game of the Rivalry Series.

Marie-Philip Poulin and Ashton Bell also scored for Canada and Sarah Nurse added three assists. It's the second straight Rivalry Series in which the United States won the first three games, only to see Canada storm back and win four straight.

The series kicked off in November with two US victories in Tempe, Arizona, and Los Angeles. The teams split a pair of games in Ontario in December, with Canada winning the fourth game in a shootout. Then, Canada won two straight last week in Saskatchewan.

Grace Zumwinkle scored for the Americans. Nicole Hensley stopped 10 of 13 shots before being replaced midway thorough the game by Abbey Levy, who made six saves.

Canada opened the scoring on its first power play. Hensley stopped Spooner's shot and made a sprawling save at the left post to deny Brianne Jenner on the rebound. But Hensley failed to cover the puck and Spooner, in a scrum in front of the net, poked it home at 12:06 of the first period. It was the second goal in two games for Spooner, who leads the PWHL with seven goals.

The Americans suffered a big loss in the first period when star forward Taylor Heise was knocked out of the game with an upper body injury sustained while breaking up a Canadian scoring chance. Heise was able to skate off the ice but did not return.

Poulin made it 2-0 less than a minute into the second as the Canadians converted their second straight power play. Canada's captain took a pass at the top of the left circle and sent a wrist shot over Hensley's shoulder for her first goal of the series.

Midway through the second, Maltais caught up to a loose puck in the U.S. zone and found Bell trailing the play in the high slot. Bell scored off the pass, making it 3-0.

Zumwinkle took advantage of Desbiens' only mistake, scoring a short-handed goal. Desbiens skated out of her net to attempt to clear the puck, but Zumwinkle blocked the pass and won the race to the empty net.

Spooner pushed the lead back to three goals shortly after a power play expired, beating Levy with a wrist shot from the slot to make it 4-1 late in the second. Maltais scored her goals in the third period.

The teams will meet next at the IIHF Women's World Championship, scheduled for April 3-14 in Utica, New York.

Pirates adding catching depth by signing 2-time All-Star Grandal

BY WILL GRAVES
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PITTSBURGH — The Pittsburgh Pirates are adding two-time All-Star catcher Yasmani Grandal, a person with knowledge of the deal told The Associated Press.

The club and the 35-year-old Grandal have agreed to terms on a one-year contract worth $2.5 million, according to the person who spoke to the AP on condition of anonymity Monday because the deal is pending Grandal passing a physical.

Pittsburgh is searching for depth at catcher with Endy Rodríguez — who started 57 games in 2023 as a rookie — ruled out for 2024 after Tommy John surgery in December. He got injured while playing winter ball in his native Dominican Republic.

Grandal would join a catching situation that includes former No. 1 overall pick Henry Davis, Jason Delay and Ali Sánchez. Grandal is a career .237 hitter while playing for four teams across 12 seasons, including the last four years with the Chicago White Sox. Grandal hit .234 with eight home runs and 33 RBIs in 118 games with the White Sox in 2023.

Bengals hire Rascati as pass game coordinator, promote Kragthorpe and Kovacs

CINCINNATI — The Cincinnati Bengals hired Justin Rascati on Thursday to fill the newly created position of pass game coordinator.

The Bengals also promoted Brad Kragthorpe from assistant quarterbacks coach to quarterbacks coach, and Jordan Kovacs was promoted from assistant linebackers coach to secondary/safeties coach. Both have been on the Bengals staff for five years.

Rascati comes to Cincinnati from the Minnesota Vikings, where he spent the past two seasons as assistant offensive line coach. Before that he was on the staff of the Denver Broncos and coached seven years at the college level.

Kragthorpe moves into Dan Pitcher's spot after Pitcher replaced Brian Callahan as offensive coordinator. Callahan left to be head coach for the Tennessee Titans.

Kovacs is taking over for Robert Livingston, who is expected to be hired as defensive coordinator at Colorado.

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Super Bowl. They've trailed by 10 points in all three of their victories, including last year's 38-35 win over Philadelphia.

Mahomes wasn't at his best early and threw an interception. But with the game on the line, he was a magician once again. He finished 34 of 46 for 333 yards and two TDs.

The Chiefs were hardly dominant during the regular season and entered the playoffs as the AFC's No. 3 seed. They won at Buffalo and at Baltimore in the postseason — the first road playoff games of Mahomes' career — and entered the Super Bowl as 2 1/2-point underdogs, according to FanDuel Sportsbook.

"The Kansas City Chiefs are never underdogs. Just know that," Mahomes said.

They became the first team to win consecutive Super Bowls as underdogs; the Philadelphia Eagles were slight favorites a year ago.

The game turned when San Francisco's Ray-Ray McCloud couldn't scoop a punt that hit teammate Darrell Luter Jr.'s leg and the Chiefs recovered at the 49ers 16, leading to Mahomes' go-ahead TD pass to Valdes-Scantling.

The Niners answered on the next possession with Purdy tossing a 10-yard TD pass to Jennings for a 16-13 lead. Moody's extra point was blocked.

Niners coach Kyle Shanahan gambled on fourth-and-3 from the Chiefs 15, passing up a chance for a tying field goal. Purdy hit George Kittle for a 4-yard gain and then found Jennings for the score.

Shanahan resorted to trickery for the only touchdown of the first half.

Jennings, a wide receiver who had never thrown a pass in an NFL game, tossed a 21-yard TD to McCaffrey. He was hit as he threw a wobbly pass across the field, but McCaffrey snagged it and sprinted to the end zone.

Shanahan fell to 0-2 as a head coach in Super Bowls and 0-3 overall, including a loss when he was offensive coordinator for Atlanta. That was the game in which Brady and the Patriots rallied from a 28-3 deficit to win in OT.

"When you go against guys like Tom Brady and Pat Mahomes, you never feel comfortable with a lead. Those guys are two of the best to ever play the game," Shanahan said.

There were plenty of stars in the building as the NFL brought its biggest game to this gambling mecca — once a taboo idea. Jay-Z, LeBron James and Paul McCartney were among the celebrities in the crowd.

Post Malone sang "America the Beautiful," Reba McEntire performed the national anthem and Usher electrified the crowd at halftime. He brought out a number of guests, including Alicia Keys, H.E.R., Jermaine Dupri, Lil Jon and Ludacris.

Attendance was announced at 61,629 at the relatively compact Allegiant Stadium, the smallest crowd in Super Bowl history except for the pandemic game in Tampa, Florida, three years ago.

It didn't start out well, but thanks to Mahomes, those fans ended up seeing one of the best Super Bowl finishes.

Fans will get to celebrate the Chiefs on Wednesday, Valentine's Day. The Kansas City Sports Commission released the official route and timing late Sunday night, KMBC-TV reported. The parade will begin at 11 a.m.

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Woods starts new year with new look now that his deal has ended

BY DOUG FERGUSON
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LOS ANGELES — Tiger Woods is starting a new year with a new look.

Just not a different color.

Woods makes his 2024 debut this week in the Genesis Invitational at Riviera, a signature event on the PGA Tour in which he is the tournament host. The first order of business is unveiling what he referred to in December as the next "chapter."

Woods and Nike ended 27 years together at the end of last year. He wore the swoosh on his shirt for the final time at the PNC Championship that he played with his son, Charlie, who was wearing clothes from a different apparel company.

Woods has scheduled a press conference Monday at 4 p.m. PST outside the gates of Riviera to discuss what he will be wearing in the limited tournaments he plays.

All signs point to TaylorMade. Woods already plays their golf clubs, and TaylorMade Lifestyle Ventures has filed four trademark applications with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for "Sunday Red" or "SDR."

Woods announced on Jan. 8 that his relationship with Nike, which produced so many big moments on the golf course and in commercials, had officially ended. His agent at Excel Sports Management, Mark Steinberg, said he expected "an exciting announcement" at Riviera.

Woods has been teasing the announcement on social media recently. He posted a closeup of his face a week ago Monday that said, "The vision remains the same." On Friday, he posted a darkened picture of him wearing a red shirt that said, "A new day rises."

Woods has worn some variation of red on Sunday his entire career because his Thai-born mother, Kultida, told him it was his power color. She also gives him a new head cover of a Tiger each season with words in Thai that say, "Love from Mom."

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Switzerland sophomore Ethan Rose (41-6) pinned Castle's Karson Bachelder in 1:20 in his first match at 106 pounds but then lost 4-0 to Center Grove's Joseph Hamilton in the quarterfinals.

Madison freshman Eli Stewart (27-8) suffered a 16-0 technical fall to Isaac Ash over Monrovia in the opening round at 120 pounds and Madison sophomore Zane Skinner lost by pin in 3:11 to Center Grove's Wyatt Kresjsa in the first round at 150 pounds.

Brownsburg won the semistate championship with 190 points, besting runner-up Centre Grove which had 190.5. Switzerland placed 13th out of 40 scoring teams with 19 points and Madison was 33rd with two points.

The IHSAA State Finals will be held in the Ford Center in Evansville starting on Friday. All matches will be streamed live on IHSAAtv.org with a $15 subscription. Rose will open the state finals against undefeated Easton Doster of New Haven.

David Campbell

Switzerland County's Gabe Rose (right) finished fourth in the semistate on Saturday to earn a berth to the IHSAA State Finals. He is the first Switzerland County Pacer to advance to the wrestling state finals.

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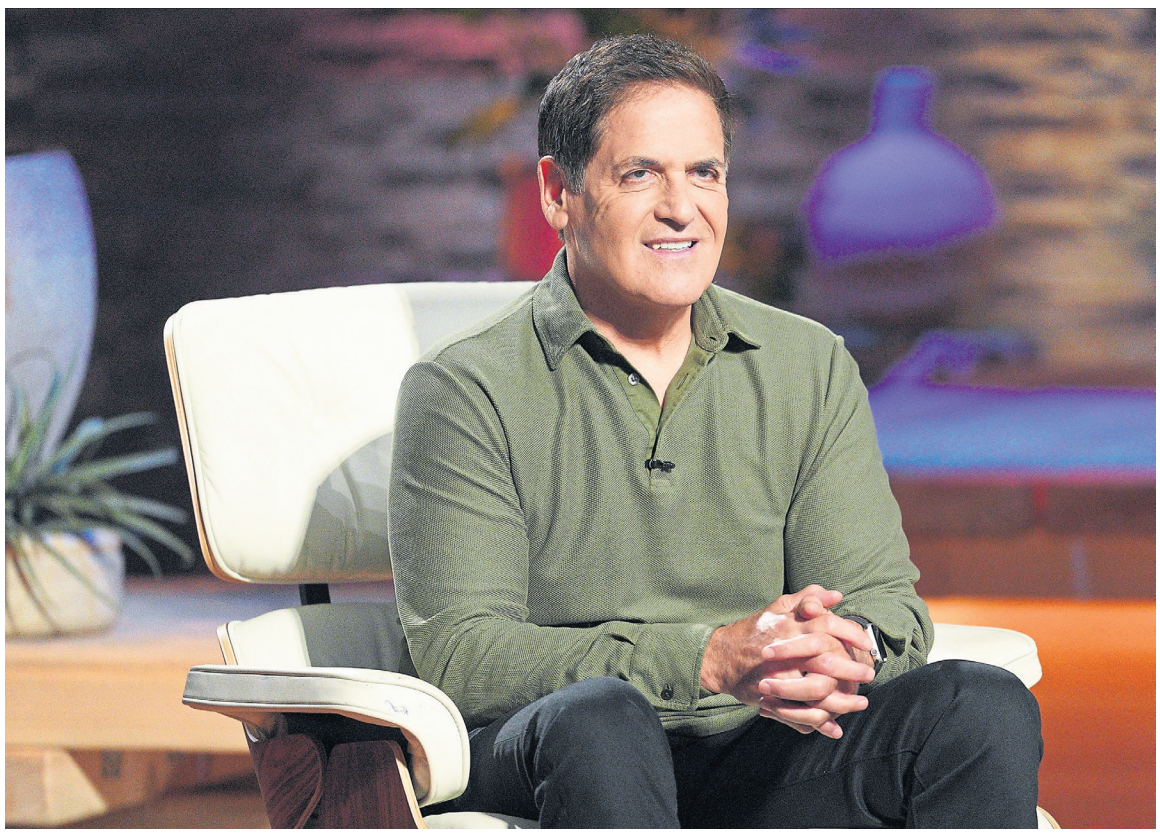

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Mark Cuban on "Shark Tank."

Mark Cuban's 'Shark Tank' investments yields a mixed bag

By IRVING MEJIA-HILARIO
The Dallas Morning News (TNS)

Mark Cuban's 13-year tenure as an investor on ABC's reality show "Shark Tank" is drawing to a close after the show's 16th season.

Since joining the show during its second season in 2011, he's invested over $19 million in startups ranging from standardized testing prep tools to boxed mixed drinks, according to Sharkalytics, a site that tracks "Shark Tank" deals and its celebrity investors. But the billionaire told The Dallas Morning News that his all-in is closer to $29 million and that he's earned more than that on both a cash and market value basis.

Even after investing in a wide range of products, Cuban has always been known for his scathing critiques of unprepared entrepreneurs and his bold investment strategies. But to him, the fanfare of the show pales in comparison to the impact it's had on young business people, Cuban said.

"I don't have a favorite deal. I don't look at it that way at all," he said in response to emailed questions from The Dallas Morning News. "Look at the impact the show has had on entrepreneurs and letting the entire country know the American dream is alive and well. All my deals are like my family. No favorites."

Over the years, Cuban has made 85 deals on "Shark Tank" and invested in 19 percent of the pitches he heard on the show, according to Sharkalytics. But in all that time, his investment approach hasn't strayed far from where he first started. He said he still looks for the same traits in any companies wanting his money.

"Is it differentiated? Is it protectable? Do I believe in the entrepreneur? Do they love their products so much that they are amazing at selling them?" he said. "Every now and then, I'll do a deal not because of the business, but to send a message to viewers that an entrepreneur can come from anywhere and get a deal."

From spending $2 million for a 20 percent stake in horror attraction company Ten Thirty One Productions to $25,000 for a 33 percent stake in Steve Gadlin's Dallas-based I Want to Draw a Cat For You, Cuban-backed companies run the entrepreneurial gamut from spectacular success to abject failure.

The winners

Cuban has 49 companies from "Shark Tank" listed on his personal website. When Shaan Patel went on the show in 2016 with SAT and ACT preparation tool Prep Expert, formerly known as 2400 Expert, he walked in thinking he would surely get a deal.

"I was really cocky, to be honest. I thought I was gonna go into the tank, and I was gonna get multiple offers from different sharks. It went horribly for the first hour and 15 minutes that I was in the tank," Patel said. "But at the last second, Mark Cuban came and saved the day."

Cuban invested $200,000 for a 20 percent stake in Prep Expert. Though the business was already doing well with $1.2 million in revenue over its four-year existence, Patel said Cuban's involvement was monumental for the company.

"The Mark Cuban deal was the single most impactful event for my business and my life," he said. "He set up a lot of partnerships over the years and has helped with some really important licensing deal negotiations. It completely changed my life."

Nowadays, the company has ballooned to over $5 million in annual revenue and Cuban still holds his 20 percent stake in the company. Patel said he emails Cuban on the first of every month to notify him of the company's health.

Staying in touch with his biggest winners, like Prep Expert, is something Cuban's known for. But to get to the point where Cuban invests in a business for years is trickier said than done, said Zech Francis, vice president of global marketing at Austin-based Beatbox Beverages.

"['Shark Tank'] was a double-edged sword. There was the positive side of tons of traffic coming to the website and emails flooding in from distributors and retailers wanting to carry the product," he said. "But the other side is that even with the $1 million investment from Mark, there's a reality to having to run a real business."

Beatbox Beverages was Cuban's fourth-largest investment, giving him a 33 percent stake. The company was initially thrilled by Cuban's investment but was quickly overwhelmed by the amount of offers it received from retailers, Francis said.

In 2016, the ready-to-drink cocktail company landed a deal with retail giant Walmart to sell beverages at its stores. But founders Brad Schultz, Justin Fenchel and Aimy Steadman had a tough time working around differing alcohol regulations in every state, Francis said.

"The issue became that all of a sudden, we're going out signing dozens of different supplier agreements and distributor agreements. It really was a cataclysmic failure, to put it bluntly," he said. "There are tons of moments in this company's history where we almost went bankrupt."

Cuban's investment helped stabilize the company during one of its first growth periods. Francis said Mark and his brother, Jeff Cuban, have served as advisers, with Jeff holding a seat on the company's board today.

After some growing pains, the company evolved into a giant in its own right with $100 million in revenue in 2023 and last year became available in all 50 states. Cuban was also a speaker at the company's 2023 summit and remains an adviser, Francis said.

Cuban also scored with other prominent investments like his $300,000 investment for a 25 percent stake in personal hygiene company Dude Products and $1.7 million for a 25 percent stake in Rugged Maniac Obstacle Race. Both companies are profitable today.

The losers

Though Cuban said he doesn't have any favorite "Shark Tank" investments, he said on the Full Send Podcast in 2022 that spending $1 million for a 15 percent stake in Breathometer, a smartphone accessory that could detect blood alcohol levels, was his worst investment.

"It was a great product," Cuban said on the podcast. "But, the guy – Charles – I'd look at his Instagram and he'd be in Bora Bora. Two weeks later, he'd been in [Las] Vegas partying, and then he'd be on Necker Island with Richard Branson. I'd text him, like, 'What the f--- are you doing? You're supposed to be working."

Charles Michael Yim was the first "Shark Tank" contestant to earn a joint investment from all five sharks with Breathometer. But the company ran into problems right away. The Federal Trade Commission filed a complaint alleging that the Breathometer could not accurately read blood alcohol levels. Yim later settled with the regulatory agency and had to issue refunds to everyone who purchased the product.

Afterward, Cuban said it was the "worst execution in the history of 'Shark Tank.' " However, Breathometer lived on as the company transitioned to become an oral hygiene monitoring device. Yim did not respond to an interview request from The News.

Cuban invested $100,000 for a 20 percent stake in Toygaroo, a toy rental company that was billed as "Netflix for Toys." But the company went under less than a year after Cuban's investment as it was mired by the same issue Beatbox Beverages faced: too much growth too quickly.

"Like most 'Shark Tank' appearances, we got a spike when the show aired. Which was not what we needed, as a sudden influx into a business that depends on stock is not a good thing," founder Phil Smy told Failory. "Because of our new partners, we were under close scrutiny and high pressure to 'grow grow grow.'"

Other times, "Shark Tank" deals have also failed to close, putting companies in precarious positions. Jeff Stroope was supposed to sell his company, HyConn, to Cuban for $1.25 million. However, the deal ended up not closing as Stroope claimed that Cuban tried to alter the deal. Eventually, the company went out of business.

As did Emazing Lights, MisoMedia and several others. Cuban said he understands the risk.

"Not every business is going to work. That's just the real world," Cuban said.

Life after 'Shark Tank'

A lot has changed since Cuban first joined "Shark Tank". But even as attention spans have shifted from television to short-form content, Patel and Francis both encourage aspiring entrepreneurs to go on the show.

"I still think that it's one of the best ways to get millions of dollars in free marketing for your business," Patel said. "TikTok and Instagram show that it's tough to hold someone's attention for 15 minutes. So getting that time on a national platform is still huge."

Cuban has also sold a majority stake in the Dallas Mavericks and has turned much of his focus to his online pharmacy, Dallas-based Mark Cuban Cost Plus Drugs. The company is expected to have a customer base of over 1.5 million, according to Forbes.

ABC has not yet revealed who will take over Cuban's seat next year for the show's 17th season. But Cuban has advice for would-be sharks.

"Have fun and remember to respect every entrepreneur that walks in the door. This is their entire life," he said.

For Cuban, it's time to turn his priorities elsewhere.

"I love the show. I love every minute I've spent on it. I'm so proud of what we have done," he said. "My leaving has nothing to do with the show. It's just about spending time with my kids. I only get one shot to do that."

Here's what one college financial aid expert advises about the latest FAFSA delay

By SUSAN SNYDER
The Philadelphia Inquirer (TNS)

There has been much apprehension and hand-wringing again this week since the U.S. Department of Education announced — again – a delay in its process for federal financial aid for college students.

The department said that student data from the newly revamped Free Application for Federal Student Aid would not be sent to colleges until March, two months later than expected, which will likely mean that students won't get their financial aid packages from colleges until early April. The reason for the delay is aimed at helping students: More will be eligible for aid as a result. But this will significantly shorten the window they have to weigh their options and reply to colleges by the traditional May 1 decision deadline.

In the meantime, financial aid and college access organizations are encouraging colleges to be flexible with students and families in light of the delay.

"During the pandemic, many institutions extended their enrollment, scholarship, and financial aid deadlines beyond the traditional May 1 date, and we urge institutions to make similar accommodations this year," said the nine groups, including the American Association of State Colleges and Universities and the American Council on Education. "We all want students and families to have the time they need to consider their financial options before making enrollment decisions."

Widener University in Chester, Pennsylvania, announced Friday that it would suspend its May decision day in light of the problems.

"These delays have created a lot of stress for college-bound students in the class of 2024 ...," said Joseph Howard, Widener's vice president for enrollment. "We don't want Widener's deadlines to add anxiety to this process."

Francesca Reed, vice president for enrollment management and marketing at Neumann University, a 2,100-student Catholic university in Aston, Pennsylvania, shared her insight into what this means for students and families. She has worked in enrollment management for about 23 years, which includes financial aid.

This interview has been edited for length and clarity.

Q: The first delay in the newly revamped FAFSA came last year. The forms weren't available for students to access until December, right?

A: Yes, December. It was a soft rollout, they called it. So it was only live for certain hours during the day. A limited number of individuals could actually get on it.

Q: What was the impact of that?

A: There was a lot of frustration for a number of families who were having a hard time logging in, or they might have been kicked out if they didn't have enough information. I myself have a college-age son ... and so for me to experience it firsthand was very interesting. ... Then, about the second week in January, they finally made an announcement that it was fully operational.

Q: Was the form itself any better after the change?

A: Some parts of it are better. The ability to add additional schools is promising. The fact that it is available in 11 languages is wonderful The fact that it is shorter [a lot fewer questions] and saves families a lot of time are all great benefits. And, of course, the major part of this is that more students will have access to need-based aid. So those are all the good things.

The frustration right now is families, as well as institutions, were expecting to have the FAFSA information by the end of January, if not February. And so the recent announcement that it won't be until mid-March is really concerning.

Q: Why the new delay?

A: The Department of Education had created these tables to estimate a family's income and assets. ... When they initially did that, they didn't include inflation-adjusted amounts, which is initially something they wanted to do. Over the past couple weeks, they decided they were going to go ahead and do that. That's for the benefit of the student in the long term. That means potentially more people may fall into Pell [grant] eligibility. (The Washington Post reported that if it hadn't been corrected, it could have cost families $1.8 billion in aid.) But what that means is now they have to go back in and make these adjustments to the tables.

Q: What will the new delay mean for students and families?

A: Typically, the FAFSA was available Oct. 1. So families would start receiving financial offers from institutions late in the fall, early in January. Now, you are talking about institutions not receiving the information until the middle of March. Then we have to do some testing to make sure that everything in our system is working accurately before we're actually able to send out official award notifications.

Right now, the timeline for many institutions is probably looking like early April. When you are talking about a May 1 deadline (for students to accept an enrollment offer), you're really giving families a very, very short window to make decisions, especially families that are first-generation going through this process for the first time, weighing their options from multiple institutions. [Before,] you had time to review that, go back to the institution, potentially appeal, and do all those things. Now that window is cut.

Q: Could this be especially difficult for students from first-generation and lower-income families?

A: Absolutely. They are waiting to find out if they are going to be receiving anything to help cover that gap for them to make college education affordable. This delay just kind of furthers that agony.

Q: Have you been hearing concerns from students and families?

A: Oh yes, absolutely. We had an open house just this past weekend and a number of students who are kind of ready to commit and make their decision are holding out because they want to make sure they have a clear picture in order to make an informed decision. I was just visiting high schools today, too, and a number of school counselors are also concerned because they are trying to help their students navigate the process.

Q: What should colleges do to assist families at this point?

A: We have been trying to update our families as soon as changes arise. We are telling them these are the things you can do now: Even with delays, families still should go through and file the FAFSA, because as soon as we are able to receive that information, we want to make sure that families have done all this and don't have to wait any longer. In addition, find out what other types of scholarships or aid may be available through the institution that is not necessarily based on FAFSA information, for example, merit award aid and other types of scholarships.

Q: Is Neumann altering its timeline for students to respond to a financial aid offer?

A: While we haven't made an official decision, most likely we will be going past the May 1 deadline.

Q: Is there anything else that you think is important to add?

A: Be patient. We're all in the same boat, and so it's really important for families to continue to communicate with the colleges that they are working with. Find out if they have any particular deadlines or things that they are changing. Look at studentaid.gov. They will have updated information. And then, of course, institutions will have their own information, including Neumann. They can go to Neumann.edu/financialaid.

TECHNOLOGY

2024's best external solid state drives

By CNET
CNET.com (TNS)

The best external drives are compact solid-state drives (SSDs for short) that use flash memory and don't have any moving parts like larger traditional hard drives, which are equipped with mechanical platters and a moving read-write head to access data.

However, the big issue is that SSDs, while having come down in price over the last few years, tend to be expensive, particularly for higher-capacity drives. Top-end SSDs designed for video professionals now offer lightning-quick transfer rates as high as 3,000MB/s so long as they're connected to newer computers with the speediest USB-C interfaces (for example, the latest Macs have Thunderbolt ports that will allow you to transfer 50GB files in less than a minute). Specific USB-C cables are also required to get top speeds.

Most of the options on this list of the best external hard drive models will work across platforms – whether you have a Windows PC, Mac computer, PlayStation or Xbox – so long as the drives are correctly formatted for the right platform. Many of them include cables or adapters to accommodate USB-C and USB-A ports. But if they don't happen to be included, you can easily buy dongles for about $12.

Three of CNET's top picks for the best external solid-state drive are below. These (or nearly identical models with less storage capacity) have been used or anecdotally tested by CNET editors.

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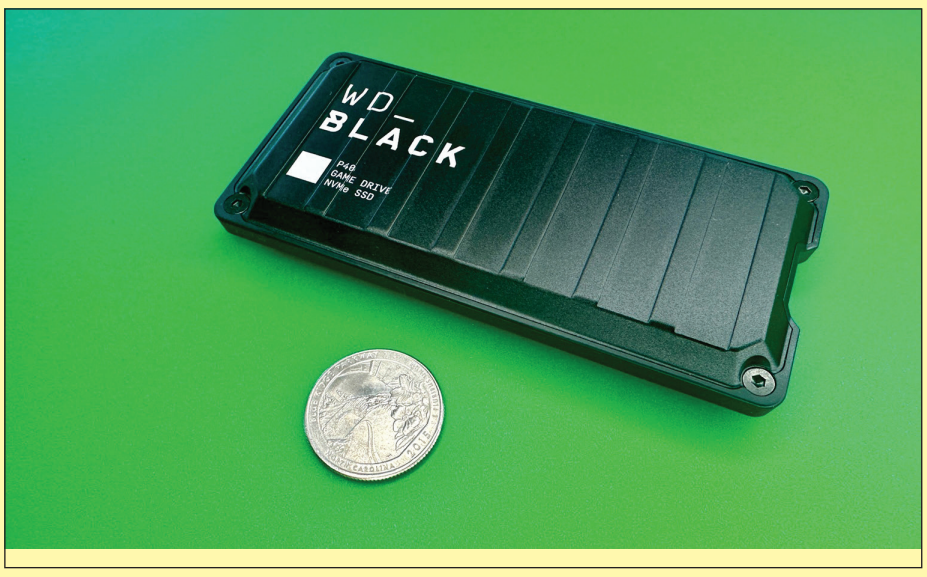
The SanDisk Extreme Portable SSD.

SanDisk Extreme Portable 1TB SSD

Rugged external mini SSD

CNET TAKE: Western Digital, which owns SanDisk, sells its WD My Passport SSD as well this SanDisk External Portable SSD for basically the same price. We like the design of this model a little better and it's technically ruggedized with an IP65 rating, meaning it can withstand a sustained spray of water. Also, it's dust- and shock-resistant and has a USB-C interface.

The latest version offers speeds up to 1,050MB/s (just over 1GB per second) and is right around $100 for the 1TB version. While step-up models like the SanDisk Extreme Pro offer faster read/write speeds with the right computer, that may be overkill unless you regularly work with very large files. Your speed will vary if you're moving a mish-mash of files to or from the USB drive, but when copying a single large file you should be able to get close to those fast transfer speeds.



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The WD Black P40.

WD Black P40 Game Drive

Best ultrafast gaming SSD for PCs and consoles

CNET TAKE: First released in 2022, the WD Black P40 has come down in price and is now pretty affordable. It's an ultrafast SSD that's more geared toward recent Windows PCs equipped with USB 3.2 Gen2x2 dual-lane architecture that allows for a theoretical 20Gbps data transfer rate. But it can also be used with consoles and Macs. It's capable of speeds up to 2,000MB/s.

Rated for surviving drops of up to 2 meters, the drive is durable and has an RGB lighting element that can be customized with a Windows PC. You do pay a bit of a premium over the WD Black D30, which comes with a stand and is more geared to game consoles. But this drive is more future-proof as an increasing number of PCs are equipped with USB 3.2 Gen2x2.

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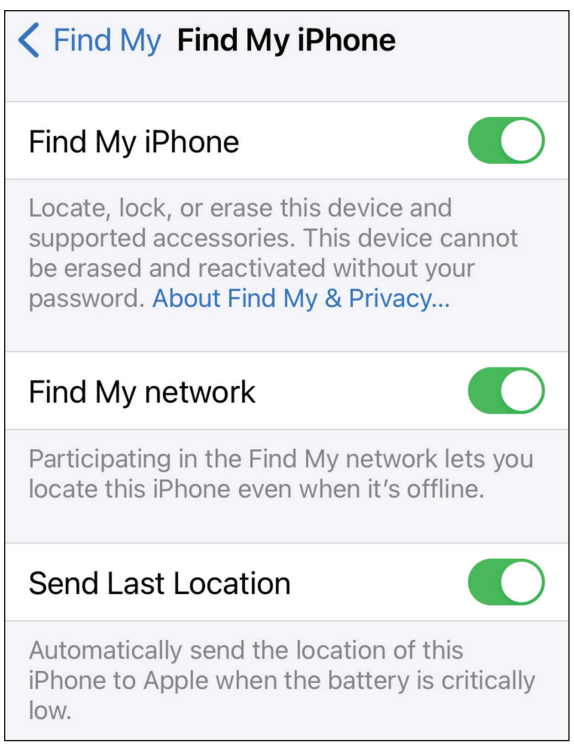
The OWC Envoy Pro FX.

OWC Envoy Pro FX

Best for pro Mac users

CNET TAKE: The 1TB version of Other World Computing's Envoy Pro FX goes for $250, while SanDisk's flagship Pro-G40 SSD starts at around $180 for a 1TB drive. Both offer top-end speeds (the Envoy Pro FX gets up to 2,800MB/s transfer speeds out slightly higher at up to 3,000MB/s). While the OWC drive will work just fine with Windows and Linux computers, OWC has long catered to the Mac market, and this external SSD certainly plays well with Macs.

Yes, it costs more than while the Pro-G40 tops the Pro-G40, but it seems very well built with an aluminum chassis that does a good job dissipating heat (it doesn't heat up too much). Alas, it doesn't come with some sort of carrying case, but it's an impressive drive if you can afford it and are looking for ultrafast transfer speeds.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The Find My app can tell your lost phone to make noise, but if the phone was powered off, those commands can't be delivered until it's turned back on.

What do you do if you lose your phone?

By JIM ROSSMAN
Tribune News Service (TNS)

My wife lost her phone this week.

She came home from work and it was close to 10 p.m. before she realized she didn't have her phone. We'd made a quick trip to church, which made us wonder if she left it there.

We looked in the usual places – purse, car, all over the house – and we couldn't find it.

We looked in the yard between her car and the house and in the leaves that had piled up by our front porch – no luck.

I was able to see her phone's location on the Find My app and it showed to be at the house, but It was right about the time her phone battery died. I'd pressed the button in the Find My app to tell the phone to make noise and we even put it in Lost Mode. But since the phone was powered off, those commands were waiting for it to show back up online before those commands could be delivered.

We turned the house upside down and we each took a turn looking in her car. Still no luck.

In the morning, I set up a spare phone for her. Luckily we use eSIMS, which are electronic SIMs. This means you can transfer your number to any other phone that uses eSIMS. Getting her phone number on the spare phone took about 5 minutes. I signed her into iCloud and restored her last backup so her apps were reloaded.

She was able to go take the replacement phone to work and I set out to research a new phone for her.

We reached out to friends at the church office and they looked around for us, but the phone was not found.

When my wife returned home the next day, I went out to look over the car again in the daylight. She told me she kept her phone on the passenger seat while she drove, so that's where I began looking. I could lean down and look under the seat, as I had done the night before and there was no phone.

This time I took my hand and ran it between the passenger seat and the center console, back to where the seatbelt latch and I found the phone wedged between the seatbelt buckle and the console tunnel. It was not low enough to be seen under the seat the first few times I looked.

There might not be a lot of tech advice in this week's column, but I want you all to remember to check your backups and make sure you are backing up all your data to the cloud. Also, try to keep your phone charged up. Trying to locate a dead phone is hard.

Finally, if you can switch to an eSIM from your phone company, you'll be able to move your phone number to a new phone without having to make a trip to your phone company's store get a new physical SIM card.

If you do ever lose your phone, those things can help you get back up and running with minimal hassle.

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THE CONVERSATION

FCC bans robocalls using deepfake voice clones – but AI-generated disinformation still looms over elections

By JOAN DONOVAN
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The Federal Communications Commission on Feb. 8, 2024, outlawed robocalls that use voices generated by artificial intelligence.

The 1991 Telephone Consumer Protection Act bans artificial voices in robocalls. The FCC's Feb. 8 ruling declares that AI-generated voices, including clones of real people's voices, are artificial and therefore banned by law.

The move follows on the heels of a robocall on Jan. 21, 2024, from what sounded like President Joe Biden. The call had Biden's voice urging voters inclined to support Biden and the Democratic Party not to participate in New Hampshire's Jan. 23 GOP primary election. The call falsely implied that a registered Democrat could vote in the Republican primary and that a voter who voted in the primary would be ineligible to vote in the general election in November.

The call, two days before the primary, appears to have been an artificial intelligence deepfake. It also appears to have been an attempt to discourage voting.

The FCC and the New Hampshire attorney general's office are investigating the call. On Feb. 6, 2024, New Hampshire Attorney General John Formella identified two Texas companies, Life Corp. and Lingo Telecom, as the source and transmitter, respectively, of the call.

Injecting confusion

Robocalls in elections are nothing new and not illegal; many are simply efforts to get out the vote. But they have also been used in voter suppression campaigns. Compounding this problem in this case is the application of AI to clone Biden's voice.

In a media ecosystem full of noise, scrambled signals such as deepfake robocalls make it virtually impossible to tell facts from fakes.

Recently, a number of companies have popped up online offering impersonation as a service. For users like you and me, it's as easy as selecting a politician, celebrity or executive like Joe Biden, Donald Trump or Elon Musk from a menu and typing a script of what you want them to appear to say, and the website creates the deepfake automatically.

Though the audio and video output is usually choppy and stilted, when the audio is delivered via a robocall it's very believable. You could easily think you are hearing a recording of Joe Biden, but really it's machine-made misinformation.

Context is key

I'm a media and disinformation scholar. In 2019, information scientist Brit Paris and I studied how generative adversarial networks – what most people today think of as AI – would transform the ways institutions assess evidence and make decisions when judging realistic-looking audio and video manipulation. What we found was that no single piece of media is reliable on its face; rather, context matters for making an interpretation.

When it comes to AI-enhanced disinformation, the believability of deepfakes hinges on where you see or hear them or who shares them. Without a valid and confirmed source vouching for it as a fact, a deepfake might be interesting or funny but will never pass muster in a courtroom. However, deepfakes can still be damaging when used in efforts to suppress the vote or shape public opinion on divisive issues.

AI-enhanced disinformation campaigns are difficult to counter because unmasking the source requires tracking the trail of metadata, which is the data about a piece of media. How this is done varies, depending on the method of distribution: robocalls, social media, email, text message or websites. Right now, research on audio and video manipulation is more difficult because many big tech companies have shut down access to their application programming interfaces, which make it possible for researchers to collect data about social media, and the companies have laid off their trust and safety teams.

Timely, accurate, local knowledge

In many ways, AI-enhanced disinformation such as the New Hampshire robocall poses the same problems as every other form of disinformation. People who use AI to disrupt elections are likely to do what they can to hide their tracks, which is why it's necessary for the public to remain skeptical about claims that do not come from verified sources, such as local TV news or social media accounts of reputable news organizations.

It's also important for the public to understand what new audio and visual manipulation technology is capable of. Now that the technology has become widely available, and with a pivotal election year ahead, the fake Biden robocall is only the latest of what is likely to be a series of AI-enhanced disinformation campaigns, even though these calls are now explicitly illegal.

I believe society needs to learn to venerate what I call TALK: timely, accurate, local knowledge. I believe that it's important to design social media systems that value timely, accurate, local knowledge over disruption and divisiveness.

It's also important to make it more difficult for disinformers to profit from undermining democracy. For example, the malicious use of technology to suppress voter turnout should be vigorously investigated by federal and state law enforcement authorities.

While deepfakes may catch people by surprise, they should not catch us off guard, no matter how slow the truth is compared with the speed of disinformation.

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The room buzzes with activity as a team of nurses races against the clock. But instead of working to manage a medical crisis, they're playing a game that involves tinkering with jigsaw puzzles, black lights and locks to solve medical mysteries.

It's all part of an escape room that researchers designed to help stroke nurses master ever-evolving guidelines and best practices for stroke care. Escape rooms are a type of adventure game in which teams of people are typically locked in a room. They must find clues, solve puzzles or perform other tasks, all of which lead to one goal: to unlock the room in the shortest amount of time possible.

"The body of knowledge about stroke prevention, treatment and recovery is growing every day," said lead researcher Siena Kramer, a clinical instructor at Tufts Medical Center in Boston. "Nurses are constantly translating this evolving expertise into improved care at the bedside."

While online learning modules are often used to provide nurses with continuing education, Kramer and her colleagues tested the more interactive approach. She will present the findings Wednesday at the American Stroke Association's International Stroke Conference in Phoenix.

The researchers developed the escape room in response to two key needs. Nurses at Tufts Medical Center Comprehensive Stroke Center gave feedback in recent years that they were looking for more interactive ways to meet their continuing education requirements through in-person formats. And those educational opportunities must be provided without requiring that nurses spend too much time away from their patients.

In total, 75 stroke specialist nurses at the stroke center participated in the escape room activity. In teams of two to eight, the nurses worked to solve nine puzzles focused on stroke treatment, intensive care, identifying post-stroke complications and more.

In the months following the activity, the stroke center's leadership team audited the quality of the vital signs and neurology checks that nurses performed. This was done by reviewing the charts of their stroke patients to ensure that those checks – which guidance stipulates must be done at specific time intervals – were correctly performed and charted, said Katelyn Skeels. She is nurse manager at Tufts' stroke center and one of the study's investigators. The results showed improvements primarily in the quality of neurological checks, she said.

Survey responses after the escape room also showed the nurses felt more confident in caring for stroke patients and were more familiar with the latest clinical practice guidelines.

The findings are considered preliminary until full results are published in a peer-reviewed journal.

"This was such an innovative and engaging way to foster an increase in nurses' knowledge of the updated (clinical practice guidance) for stroke," said Nicole Bennett, nurse manager of the neuroscience intensive care unit at the University of Wisconsin Hospitals and Clinics in Madison.

"Nurses working in a busy stroke unit are not known for sitting still, so interactive learning activities can be more effective, not to mention more fun, than passive computer-based modules or lectures for retaining new content," said Bennett, who was not involved with the study.

The activity helped foster collaboration among groups of nurses with different levels of experience, the researchers said. Many of the nurses who participated see the same patients at different stages of care but often don't work together directly, Skeels said. "We wanted them to become familiar with each other so that when they're doing those handoffs, there's accountability, they're friends, and they know each other."

The escape room concept "puts a new spin on simulation-based learning that encourages strong teamwork and effective communication," Bennett said. "The team must come together to work their way through an interactive environment. This requires critical thinking, problem-solving and decision-making, which can be translated back to the clinical setting."

When nurses master the latest guidelines and can apply them to caring for stroke patients, there is a huge potential impact on patient care, Kramer said. "By adopting the most recent evidence into our nursing care and monitoring, we are able to improve outcomes for stroke patients receiving an ever-widening range of state-of-the-art treatments."

While the study included just 75 nurses from one medical system, other stroke centers could implement similar programs with minimal monetary investment, Kramer said.

"It's easy to deploy. You don't need a lot of space," she said. "If you can get an extra, small room, invite a couple people in, you don't need a ton of resources to make this work. Just a little creativity."

GADGETS

Device to digitize old family photos

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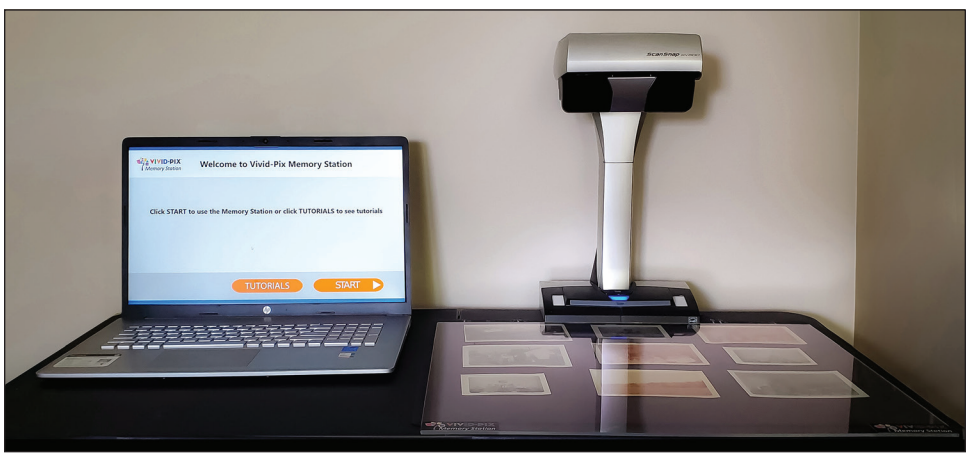
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The Vivid-Pix Memory Station.

We all deal with piles of pre-digital old media pile, including VCR tapes, shelves of CDs, boxes and boxes of prints handed down from previous generations. This all adds up to a project that's been on the back burner: digitizing old family photos. We always need help getting to it.

The thought process is excellent, but the execution and time it takes could be more convenient. What scanner do you get, and how to use it? Do you shoot photos of the photos with your cell phone? There are many choices, including pay archive services; I have used several, and they do a great job.

Then I come to the Vivid-Pix Memory Station one-click scanning solution. Most often, scans do not look as good as the original. And more often than not, they look terrible. But the Vivid-Pix Memory Station was as consistent and easy to use as most I've tried.

The hardware setup was quick. Just unpack it and plug the power cord and USB cable in the back of the base. The software must be downloaded and run through a setup, but that takes little time. The interface has an older look but is user-friendly and straightforward.

After your first few scans, you'll want to adjust the software settings to your liking and needs. You can change some settings, depending on what you want for the end product. These include the format (PDF or JPG) and what size quality you want. If you're scanning them, set it for the highest. You can always decrease it later, but start with the best.

The Restore software is both easy and fun. Once you open up an image, you'll have a choice of nine presets to fix the image with the look of contrast and lightness. You choose what looks best. The following window brings up sliders for manual color corrections and other drop-down menu selections. A great feature allows you to save your custom settings for future one-click use.

Features of the scanner, which works with Mac and Windows systems, include scanning up to 10 images at a time in a 17-by-11.8-inch scanning area. Images can be saved with resolution choices of up to 600 dpi in JPEG or PDF formats. It has a correction for book-curve distortion and auto-book correction.

The ScanSnap SV600 Scanner is essentially a large digital camera on a stand. When you hit start, the scanner head moves forward to scan the image, book, or whatever is needed to be scanned in a few seconds. Then it's up to you what you do with the photos regarding retouching and color corrections with the Vivid-Pix restore image software.

You can control scanning with the software or manually with a scan and stop button built into the base. It can scan multiple images at once; how many you do is your preference. I developed a workflow pretty quickly, tapping a spot on the mat to align the bottom of the image. I did each scan individually, with a click of a button in between each.

An AC power adapter and a USB-A cable are included. I used a USB-A to USB-C adapter with no problems. A fabric mat is included, which will keep your images scanned in place; an optional acrylic sheet was also sent along, which worked great when scanning books that need held open in place. A pair of stabilizing braces is included if you have a place where you want the scanner secured.

The memory station software home edition bundle is $799.95 and includes the SV600 Scanner, Home Edition MS software, Vivid-Pix Restore software, and Abby OCR creation software.

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